

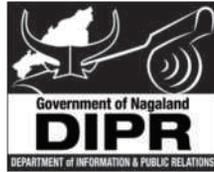
Governor of Nagaland, P. B. Acharya administering the Oath of Office to Mayang Lima, former Principal District & Sessions Judge (Retd.) as the Upa-Lokayukta of Nagaland at a programme held at Raj Bhavan, Kohima on 29th March 2019.



Governor, Nagaland, P. B. Acharya with the awardees of the NAMASTE Governor Acharya Award 2018 during an award distribution ceremony held at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.



Commissioner, Nagaland, M. Patton, IAS with officials, Gaonburas and Dobashis at DB's Customary Law Court, SDO (C) Office, Thonoknyu, Tuensang on 5th March 2019.



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OFFICIAL ORDERS and NOTIFICATIONS

STATE EMPOWERED COMMITTEE TO MONITOR THE BAN OF SINGLE USE PLASTICS

The Department of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, in a notification, has informed that a State Empowered Committee to monitor the ban of single use plastics in the state has been constituted with the following Members with immediate effect:

1. Abhishek Singh, Principal Secretary - Chairman
Urban Development Department
2. Rovilatuo Mor, Secretary - Member
Home Department
3. Martha Ritse, Additional Secretary - Member
Rural Development Department
4. Dr. Y. Atsase Thongtsar, OSD - Member
Environment, Forests & Climate Change Department
5. Elizabeth Ngully, Joint Secretary - Member
Urban Development Department
6. Sentiwapang, Joint Secretary - Member
Industries & Commerce Department
7. Linda Solo, Joint Secretary - Member
Public Health Engineering (PHE) Department
8. Limawati Ao, Director - Member
Information & Public Relations Department
9. Rusovil John, Member Secretary - Member
Nagaland State Pollution Control Board
10. Rongsenmenla, Under Secretary - Member
Municipal Affairs Department
11. Kovi Meyase, Administrator - Member
Kohima Municipal Council
12. Thangi Manen, Retired Commissioner & Secretary - Special Invitee
to the Government of Nagaland

The Term of Reference (TOR) of the Empowered Committee will be:

1. The Committee will draft the guidelines and time frame for enforcing total ban of plastics in the state as notified by the Government.
2. Suggest measures and actions to be taken for the effective implementation of the ban.
3. Monitor the progress on the implementation of the ban.
4. To receive feedbacks from government agencies, NGOs, other stakeholders and issue instructions thereof.

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PLYING OF GOVERNMENT CONDEMNED VEHICLES WITHOUT CONVERTING TO PRIVATE REGISTRATION IS AN OFFENCE: SECRETARY, TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

Nagaland Government has come down heavily on plying of government condemned vehicles allotted to VIPs, retired government officers and individuals with government registration without converting such condemned vehicles to private registration.

Terming it as a 'serious offence and illegal under the provisions of law,' Secretary, Transport Department, Kenilo Apon has issued an office memorandum directing all concerned to strictly adhere to the condition laid down on condemned vehicles and to convert such vehicles to private registration within two months time from the date of issue of allotment order.

Kenilo Apon further instructed all State Government Departments to prepare a detailed list of all condemned and allotted vehicles and submit the list to the concerned RTOs and DTOs and concerned SPs to check and put a stop to this 'misuse of government authority.'

SCHEDULE FOR STATE ELECTIONS 2019

In a press release issued by the CEO Nagaland, the ECI through its Press Note NO.ECI/PN/23/2019 dated 10/03/2019, announced the schedule for conduct of General Elections to the Lok Sabha, 2019 from 1 (one) Nagaland Parliamentary Constituency and Bye-Election to the Nagaland Legislative Assembly from 26-Aonglenden (ST) Assembly Constituency. The schedule for the elections is as follows:

1. Announcement and issue of Press Note : 10/03/2019
2. Issue of Gazette Notification : 18/03/2019
3. Last date for filing of nominations : 25/03/2019
4. Scrutiny of nominations : 26/03/2019
5. Last date for withdrawal of candidature : 28/03/2019
6. Date of poll : 11/04/2019
7. Counting of votes : 23/05/2019
8. Date before which the election shall be completed : 27/05/2019

The press release also stated that consequent on the announcement of the schedule for the General Election to the Lok Sabha, 2019 and the Bye-Election to Nagaland Legislative Assembly from 26-Aonglenden (ST) Assembly Constituency, the Model Code of Conduct (MCC) comes into operation with immediate effect from the 10th March 2019 and will be in force till the completion of the elections. The MCC will be applicable to all political parties and to the Union and State Governments and UT Administrations.

ADVISORY ISSUED TO FRESH FISH FOOD BUSINESS OPERATORS

Fresh fish products including molluscs, and crustaceans are highly perishable and can lead to food spoilage and poisoning. On 14th March 2019, Food Safety Commissioner & Principal Secretary, I. Himato

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Zhimomi informed that the following advisories have to be complied within three months from the date of receipt of the advisory. To ensure food safety and quality during all stages of distribution and sale, the vendors should strictly maintain the following guidelines in order to provide safe food for consumers.

A. PREMISES AND EQUIPMENTS:

1. All fish shops or stalls should be away from unhygienic locations.
2. The premises shall be clean, adequately lighted, ventilated and sufficient free space for movement.
3. The floor of the premises should be smooth and easy to clean with no flaking paint or plaster.
4. Sale points, tables, benches, boxes, cupboards, glass cases, etc. shall be clean and tidy.
5. All equipments like knives and tools used shall be made of stainless steel and kept clean, washed to prevent growth of mould/fungi and infestation.
6. At least one insect controlling device should be installed.
7. Use of potable water only.
8. A minimum of one Food Safety Display Board should be displayed in the premises. More than one can be displayed in case the outlet is big in size and the Food Safety Display Board is not visible to the consumers and food handlers.
9. All fresh fishes and crustaceans for sale should be kept in ice packed container or cabinet for freezing.
10. All fresh fishes and crustaceans stored intended for sale shall be fit for consumption and have proper cover to avoid contamination.
11. First In First Out (FIFO) must be maintained by every fish sellers.
12. Freezer/Ice boxes should be cleaned at least once a week to remove stains, ice particles and food particles. The temperature should be in the range of 4 to 6 degree Celsius.
13. Compulsory waste bin with cover shall be kept and it should be cleaned every day.
14. Other than use of edible ice, use of preservative to prevent decomposition and spoilage of fresh fish is punishable under the provisions of Food Safety & Standards Act, 2006.

B. PERSONAL HYGIENE:

1. The vendors should wear clean aprons, headwears and face mask and maintain strict hygienic habit while handling food items.
2. Spitting and open nose blowing shall be prohibited within the premises, specially while handling food except in designated areas.
3. Person suffering from infectious diseases shall not be permitted to work.
4. The vendors should be medically examined once a year.

According to Food Safety Commissioner & Principal Secretary, I. Himato Zhimomi, these advisories have to be complied within three months from the date of receipt of the advisory. Failure to comply with these advisories would be punishable under the provisions of Food Safety & Standards Act, 2006.

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GOVERNMENT ENHANCES HONORARIUM OF VILLAGE GUARDS

Additional Chief Secretary & Home Commissioner, Sentiyanger Imchen in a notification has informed that in pursuance of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India Letter No. 6/16/2017 - NE, dated 15/03/2018, the Government of Nagaland has enhanced the honorarium of Village Guards from existing rate of Rs. 1500/- pm to Rs. 3000/- pm only w.e.f. 01/04/2018.

This is issued with the concurrence of the Finance Department accorded vide RFC/ESTT No.28/13 dated 05/03/2019.

RTI OFFICIALS DESIGNATED FOR ATI

Director, Administrative Training Institute, R. Asenla Keitzar, IAS in an order has informed that the following officers have been designated as Appellate Authority, Public Information Officer and Assistant Public Information Officer:

1. Directorate Level : R. Asenla Keitzar, IAS
Appellate Authority Director, ATI
Telephone (O) 0370-2280066.
2. Public Information Officer/PIO : L. Youdang Jamir
Additional Director, ATI
Mobile No. 9402441188.
3. Assistant Public Information Officer/APIO : Dr. S. Rongsen Longkumer
Deputy Director (Research)
Mobile No. 9436005676.

STATE LAND ACQUISITION AUTHORITY RE-CONSTITUTED

Additional Chief Secretary & Development Commissioner, Sentiyanger Imchen, IAS in a notification has informed that the Government of Nagaland has re-constituted the State Land Acquisition Authority with the following members:

1. Chief Minister : Chairman
2. Deputy Chief Minister : Vice Chairman
3. Minister, Planning & Coordination : Member
4. Minister, Land Revenue : Member
5. Minister, Urban Development : Member
6. Chief Secretary, Nagaland : Member
7. Director General of Police, Nagaland : Member
8. Principal Secretary (Works & Housing) : Member
9. Principal Secretary (Urban Development) : Member
10. Commissioner, Nagaland : Member
11. Commissioner & Secretary (Power) : Member
12. Commissioner & Secretary (PHE) : Member

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13. Secretary (Land Revenue) : Member
14. Secretary (Justice & Law) : Member
15. Engineer-in-Chief (Works & Housing) : Member
16. Chief Engineer (Housing) : Member
17. Chief Engineer (Power) : Member
18. Chief Engineer (PHE) : Member
19. Director (Urban Development) : Member
20. Deputy Commissioner, Kohima : Member
21. Additional CS & Development Commissioner: Member Secretary

The terms of reference, role and responsibility and authority of the State Land Acquisition Authority shall be as under:

- (a) Examine all proposals for land acquisition including compensation for buildings standing in the land to be acquired for the purpose of developmental projects or for public amenities or works of public benefit.
- (b) To decide on the area of land required to be acquired and allotted to various departments and agencies for developmental and public utilities.
- (c) To approve land compensation rates for various categories of land proposed to be acquired.
- (d) To determine additional areas of land to be acquired for use for future developmental projects.
- (e) To review the utilization or otherwise of land acquired and allotted to various departments and agencies which have remained unutilized for more than three years and decide on their cancellation or extension if found warranted.
- (f) To direct enforcement of Building Bye-Laws and directions for construction of Government Directorates and offices/establishments particularly in the New Capital Complex areas.
- (g) To and effect eviction of encroachers of government land within the state.
- (h) To direct preparation of Master Plans for District Headquarters, Administrative Headquarters and strict adherence to the Master Plans proposed by all concerned.

The jurisdiction of the State Land Acquisition Authority shall extend to the whole state and also cover land and building required to be acquired by the state even outside the state.

REVISED RATE OF SILK COMMODITIES IN THE STATE

The Department of Sericulture has notified the revised rate of silk commodities in the State as follows:
Silkworm host plant seeds

SN	Particulars	Unit	Rate fixed as on
1	Castor	Per kg	Rs. 80/-
2	Kesseru	Per kg	Rs. 150/-
3	Som	Per kg	Rs. 100/-
4	Soalu	Per kg	Rs. 80/-
5	Oak tasar	Per kg	Rs. 100/-

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Silkworm host plant seedlings and saplings

SN	Particulars	Unit	Rate fixed as on
1	Kesseru seedlings	Per no.	Rs. 5/-
2	Som seedlings (polytube)	Per no.	Rs. 5/-
3	Soalu seedlings (polytube)	Per no.	Rs. 5/-
4	Mulberry saplings	Per no.	Rs. 3/-

Silkworm disease free layings (dfis)

SN	Particulars	Unit	Rate fixed as on
1	Eri	Per gram	Rs. 10/-
2	Muga	Per gram	Rs. 10/-
3	Mulberry	Per gram	CSB rate to be followed
4	Tasar	Per gram	

Silkworm seed cocoon

SN	Particulars	Unit	Rate fixed as on
1	Eri	Per no.	Rs. 1.5/-
2	Muga	Per no.	Rs. 3/-
3	Mulberry	Per no.	CSB rate to be followed

Silkworm cocoon

SN	Particulars	Unit	Rate fixed as on
1	Jethua muga cocoon		
	Grade 'A'	Per no.	Rs. 1.8/-
	Grade 'B'	Per no.	Rs. 1.5/-
2	Eri cocoon		
	Grade 'A'	Per kg	Rs. 700/-
	Grade 'B'	Per kg	Rs. 600/-
3	Mulberry green cocoon		
	Grade 'A' (BIV)	Per kg	Rs. 400/-
	Grade 'B' (MXB)	Per kg	Rs. 300/-
	Grade 'C' (MXM)	Per kg	Rs. 200/-
4	Tasar cocoon		
	Grade 'A'	Per no.	Rs. 1/-

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Silkworm seed commodities

SN	Particulars	Unit	Rate fixed as on
1	Muga raw silk	Per kg	Rs. 1500/-
2	Muga twisted silk	Per kg	Rs. 1800/-
3	Muga spun silk	Per kg	Rs. 3000/-
4	Mulberry raw silk		
	a) Bivoltine	Per kg	Rs. 3600/-
	b) Multi X Bi	Per kg	Rs. 2800/-
	c) Multi X multi	Per kg	Rs. 2000/-
5	Mulberry twisted silk		
	a) Bivoltine	Per kg	Rs. 4200/-
	b) Multi X Biv	Per kg	Rs. 3200/-
	c) Multi X multi	Per kg	Rs. 2500/-
6	Mulberry spun silk	Per kg	Rs. 2200/-

Eri spun yarn

SN	Particulars	Unit	Rate fixed as on
1	Motorized	Per kg	Rs. 2350/-
2	Ambar charkha	Per kg	Rs. 3200/-
3	Takli	Per kg	Rs. 3000/-

Oak tasar yarn

SN	Particulars	Unit	Rate fixed as on
1	Reeled yarn	Per kg	Rs. 4000/-
2	Ghicha/matka	Per kg	Rs. 3000/-

DEPARTMENTS ASKED TO DESIGNATE NODAL OFFICER FOR DISABILITY AFFAIRS

State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities Nagaland, Diethono Nakhro in a notification has informed that in compliance with Section 23(1) of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 and to facilitate the implementation of the provisions of the said Act, all Government Departments and Establishments have been requested to designate a Grievance Redressal-cum-Nodal Officer (Disability Affairs) not below the rank of a Gazetted Officer. Where it is not possible to designate any Gazetted Officer, the Government Establishment may designate the Seniormost Officer as Grievance Redressal-cum-Nodal Officer.

Further, the Commission informed that the name, designation, phone number and email address of the designated officer may be forwarded to the Office of the State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities through the given email address: scpdnagaland@gmail.com

MAYANG LIMA SWORN IN AS UPA-LOKAYUKTA OF NAGALAND

The Governor of Nagaland, P. B. Acharya administered the Oath of Office to Mayang Lima, former Principal District & Sessions Judge (Retd.) as the Upa-Lokayukta of Nagaland on 29th March 2019 at a programme held at Naga Bhavan, Raj Bhavan, Kohima.

Mayang Lima is the first Upa-Lokayukta of the State and will hold the office of the Upa-Lokayukta of Nagaland for a term of five years or till he attains the age of 70.

The oath taking ceremony was attended by the Lokayukta of Nagaland, Justice Uma Nath Singh and senior government officials led by the Chief Secretary, Temjen Toy, IAS.

MYANMAR DELEGATES CALL ON GOVERNOR

A team of visiting delegation of the Union Solidarity & Development Party, Myanmar consisting of 11 members called on the Governor of Nagaland, P.B. Acharya at Raj Bhavan, Kohima on 2nd March 2019.

Appreciating the delegates for their visit to the State, Governor Acharya expressed his concern for the welfare of the Nagas living in Myanmar and called for development activities in the border areas of both the countries. Stating that human concern is needed, the Governor called for opening of educational institutions, hospitals, orphanages, skill development centres etc. through border area development activities.

The Governor also opined that Private Public Partnership (PPP) welfare activities with participation from various NGOs from both India and Myanmar should be encouraged for the development and strengthening of both the nations. He explained the Indian National Fellowship Centre (INFC), a Mumbai based NGO is working for the people of North East by organising student teacher exchange programmes, medical camps in border areas etc.

Governor Acharya also encouraged the delegation to arrange for Nagas of Myanmar to visit not only the State of Nagaland but to also conduct Bharat Darshan from time to time so as to strengthen ties between the two countries. He also called for cultural exchange programmes between the two countries. Acharya stated that NEZCC can also sponsor cultural programmes and exchanges with Myanmar Nagas.

The delegation led by U. Than Htay also expressed their desire for further developing the Naga administered areas of Myanmar. The meeting was also attended by Minister for Higher Education, Temjen Imna Along.

The delegation from the USDO was sponsored by the India Foundation, an independent research centre focused on the issues, challenges and opportunities of Indian polity. The Foundation believes in understanding contemporary India and its global context through a civilization lens of a society on the forward move.

BOOKLET ON ONE YEAR ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE PDA GOVERNMENT LAUNCHED

A booklet on one year achievements of the PDA Government titled "Road to Peace, Progress & Development" was jointly launched by Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio and Minister Temjen Imna Along at

Dimapur on 2nd March 2019. The booklet highlights the achievements and initiatives of Government Departments in the past year under the PDA Government.

PM-SYM LAUNCHED IN THE STATE

Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan (PM-SYM) Pension Scheme for Unorganized Workers organized by the Department of Labour & Employment, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship was launched on 5th March 2019 at Secretariat Conference Hall, Kohima.

Speaking at the programme, Chief Secretary, Temjen Toy, IAS said that the PM-SYM pension scheme for unorganized sector was announced during the presentation of Union budget on 1st February 2019. He called upon all to think of our own people who are earning their daily wages in town or

in villages as such schemes are targeted towards them.

Toy stated that though the Labour and Employment Departments are the nodal departments, each of us individually or as department, need to spread awareness of the scheme to our people. He said only when we reach out and spread awareness within our own circle and in the villages about the scheme, it will benefit the greater section of our people who are in the unorganized sectors.

Branch Manager, LIC, Kohima, Shelphomran Khaling briefing on PM-SYM, said that the scheme is being introduced under Section 3(1)(c) of the Unorganized Workers Social Security Act (UWSS Act), 2008 which mandates the Central Government to formulate and notify suitable welfare scheme for unorganized workers on matters relating to old age protection. He highlighted that PM-SYM is voluntary and periodic contribution based pension system meant for unorganized workers with income up to Rs. 15,000 per month and eligibility criteria age between 18-40 years. This scheme provides for a fixed pension of Rs. 3000 after attaining the age of 50

years on a monthly contribution of a small affordable amount during their working age. Also after the subscriber's death (after age of 60 years), the spouse of the beneficiary shall be entitled to receive 50% of the pension received by the beneficiary as family pension.

Another feature is that if a beneficiary has given regular contribution and died due to any cause (before age of 60 years), his/her spouse will be entitled to join and continue the scheme subsequently by payment of regular contribution. Also, after the death of subscriber as well as his/her spouse, the entire corpus will be credited to the fund. He added that the matching contribution will be 100% funded by the Gol, while PM-SYM would be administered by Ministry of Labour Employment in partnership with LIC. Also LIC will be the Pension Fund Manager and responsible for pension pay out.

Project Officer, Directorate of Labour, T. Chubayanger also highlighting about the Unorganized Workers Social Security Act 2008 said the Act is to provide social security and welfare for the unorganized workers. He said unorganized workers



Chief Secretary, Temjen Toy, IAS handing over Pension Card to one of the beneficiaries at the launching programme of PM-SYM Pension Scheme for Unorganized Workers at Secretariat Conference Hall, Kohima on 5th March 2019.

are those who do not have a definite income and who lives by the daily wage they earn. He stated that though they are the nodal department for the scheme, they will only be the facilitator to educate the people and help identify the unorganized sectors and all the enrolment will be done in the Common Service Centre (CSC). He also announced that the CSCs have enrolled 260 beneficiaries across the state and the enrolment is still going on.

Distribution of PM-SYM Pension Cards were given away to the beneficiaries by Chief Secretary, Temjen Toy. Live streaming of the launching programme by Prime Minister of India was also witnessed by the AHoDs, HoDs and officials at the Secretariat Conference Hall.

Kohima:

The launch programme of Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan (PM-SYM) Pension Scheme for Unorganized Workers was held on 5th March 2019 at Conclave Conference Hall, LCS Building, Kohima.

Under the scheme, the Central Government shall establish a pension fund to be administered by the government in consultation, whenever required, with the National Board. The eligible subscriber who joins the scheme shall subscribe to the Pension Fund as determined by the Central Government from time to time of such joining in accordance with the age of the subscriber. The Central Government shall also contribute to the Pension Fund the equal amount as contributed by an eligible subscriber. The provisions of the scheme shall apply to the unorganised workers who are working or engaged as home based workers, street vendors, mid-day meal workers, head loaders, brick kiln workers, cobblers, ragpickers, domestic workers, washermen, rickshaw pullers, landless laborers, agricultural workers, construction workers, beedi workers, handloom workers, leather workers, audio-visual workers and similar other occupations.

Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, Anoop Khinchi, IAS also delivered a short speech on the benefits of the scheme and encouraged all who are eligible

to apply and avail the benefits of the scheme. He also distributed the Shram Yogi Cards to the new applicants of the scheme.

The launching programme was followed by live screening of the launching event from Ahmedabad by the Prime Minister of India.

Wokha:

The launching programme of the Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan (PM-SYM) was held at DC's Conference Hall, Wokha on 5th March 2019.

Deputy Commissioner, Wokha, Dr. Manazir Jeelani Samoon, IAS while addressing the beneficiaries, said this is a new scheme introduced by the Government of India for the unorganized sectors having no formal term of employment or have no social security benefits, and he encouraged the participants to take advantage of this scheme and get enrolled to avail the benefits.

There are estimated 42 crore unorganized workers in the country and through this scheme, the government targets to cover 10 crore in the next five years.

The DC distributed cards to the beneficiaries, and live telecast of the launching programme by the Prime Minister of India was witnessed by all the participants. On-spot enrolment was also done later in the day.

Mon:

Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan (PM-SYM) launching programme was held on 5th March 2019 at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Mon.

DC Mon, Thavaseelan K, IAS who was the Special Guest on the occasion said that PM-SYM is a voluntary and periodic contribution based pension system meant for unorganized workers with income up to Rs. 15,000/- per month. He assured for maximum coverage of this scheme for the beneficiaries in the district and also distributed the PM-SYM Pension Cards to the beneficiaries.

The programme was followed by live screening of the launching event by Prime Minister, Narendra Modi.

Dimapur:

The launching programme of Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan (PM-SYM) of Dimapur district was held on 5th March 2019 at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Dimapur with DC, Dimapur, Kevekha Kevin Zehol as special guest.

Interested eligible persons can visit nearest the Common Service Centre (CSC); location of CSCs can be ascertained from the information page on websites of LIC of India, Minister of Labour and Employment and CSC.

DC Dimapur said that Government of India has come up with a brilliant idea to help the unorganized workers by giving them pension after their active life is over. He appealed to everyone who is eligible to avail the opportunity and requested the labour officers to play a very proactive role and to take it as a missionary role and facilitate everyone who is eligible.

SDO (Sardar), Kiphire, Longdiba L. Sangtam launching the PM-SYM Pension Scheme for Unorganized Workers held at DC's Conference Hall, Kiphire on 5th March 2019.

Kiphire:

Launching programme of Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan (PM-SYM) Pension Scheme for Unorganized Workers was held at DC's Conference Hall, Kiphire on 5th March 2019.

SDO (Sardar) Kiphire, Longdiba L. Sangtam in his short speech said that it is an important scheme especially for the unorganized workers that the Government of India has introduced officially all over India. He said that Kiphire district is fortunate to hold this programme and requested the beneficiaries to get registered for the scheme. He appealed to the Labour Department to facilitate and guide about the features of the scheme to the unorganized workers and to direct them to the nearest Common Service Centre (CSC).

Shram Yogi Pension Cards were given to five beneficiaries by CSC team.

Longleng:

SDO (C) Longleng HQ, D. Robin launched the Pradhan Mantri Sharm Yogi Maandhan (PM-SYM) at the DC's Office Complex as special guest on 6th March 2019. Robin appealed to the unorganized workers to avail



the opportunity of the schemes through registration by visiting the Common Services Centre (CSC) along with Aadhaar Card and Savings Bank account number. He also gave away pension cards to the beneficiaries.

Zunheboto:

Zunheboto district launched the Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan (PM-SYM) in the presence of Relise Sangtam, SDO (C) at Assistant Labour Commissioner's Office, Zunheboto on 5th March 2019.

Highlights of the scheme was introduced and explained by the Labour Department official who stated that the scheme is meant for old age protection and social security of unorganised workers. A total

of 12 beneficiaries were enrolled and PMSYM cards were handed over to them by the SDO (C).

Jalukie:

Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan (PM-SYM), a pension scheme for unorganized workers was launched at Jalukie Town Hall by EAC Jalukie, C. Wangan on 5th March 2019.

Wangan in his address appealed to the public to avail the facility and also handed over the PM-SYM Pension Cards to beneficiaries of the district. Keynote address was presented by CSC District Manager, Peren, Kanzang who informed the public that the scheme is meant for old age protection and social security of unorganized workers

AWARENESS CAMPAIGN ON MEDICINAL AND AROMATIC PLANT AT LRD

A total of 30 farmers from Kohima and Phek attended a one day awareness campaign on Medicinal and Aromatic Plant held at the Conference Hall, Directorate of Land Resources Development, organized by Government of India, Ministry of Micro Small & Medium Enterprises Branch-MSME Development Institute Dimapur, Nagaland in association with MSME-Technology Center Imphal and Nagaland Bio Resource Mission, Kohima on 5th March 2019.

Special invitee, T. Imkonglemba Ao IAS, Principal Secretary & Agriculture Production Commissioner and Mission Director, NBRM said that this is a new set up

and the first time where MSME and the bio resource are in collaboration to work together. MSME was set up in all the states but unfortunately nothing much could be made productive because of people's



Principal Secretary & APC and Mission Director, NBRM, T. Imkonglemba Ao, IAS exhorting the farmers during the one day awareness programme on Medicinal and Aromatic Plant at the Directorate of Land Resources, Kohima on 5th March 2019.

mentality to look for the bigger picture, ignoring the smaller one. MSME brings 70% of the annual industrial production.

Imkonglemba said that for any sector, the grass

root level units should be given importance for starting any large scale industries. Power is a factor which we need to consider, to venture into any sector of industries. Marketing outlets as well as transportation cost should be calculated and planned before setting up any new venture. Perishable items become a loss in transportation so he urged the MSME group to venture out by providing production machine introducing portable machines in a landscape like North East as the topography and road conditions become unsuitable. Nagaland is richly blessed with areas to cultivate organic products and more than 700 items labeled to be medicinal crops and plants have been discovered, yet we tend to ignore all these.

MSME - TC Imphal, Dr. Yoiren Tomba Singh

said that our environment and landscape is a gold mine for medicinal and aromatic plants and it is high time we spread awareness and focus on exploring to its maximum. Since we have good knowledge in traditional medicines, we should realize that this sector can be turned to a vast commercial sector and generate income into a larger scale. He said MSME aims to turn traditional farmers to entrepreneurs. MSME can take the main role in developing and facilitating the farmers, giving technical support and training by adopting different methods on how and which crop to be cultivated accordingly along with the region suitable for that particular plant.

Preview on the programme was briefed and highlighted by Assistant Director, MSME-DI Dimapur, Nagaland, M. Sabarigiri.

STATE TASK FORCE REVIEW MEETING ON NID

Directorate of Health & Family Welfare held a State Task Force meeting to review National Immunisation Day under the chairmanship of Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, I. Himato Zhimomi at the Office of the Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare.

Mission Director, NHM, Dr. Kevichusa Medikhru stated that the Intensive Pulse Polio Immunisation (IPPI) programme was started in the year 1995. Departments such as Social Welfare, School Education and Information & Public Relations have been actively participating in their own capacity for the successful implementation of the programme. In this regard, he urged all the departments including the officials of Health & Family Welfare to actively participate in the exercise of this programme.

SIO, UIP, Dr. Ritu Thurr while presenting state performance and preparedness of IPPI mentioned that the state has 2244 booths in total for IPPI. He also stated that the headcount exercise is carried out by the departments of School Education and Social Welfare where school teachers, Anganwadi and ASHA workers are actively involved.

SMO, WHO, Dr. Shiela Longkumer mentioned about the situation of Polio eradication in India, stating that the last Polio case due to WPV was reported in 2011, and India was removed from the list of Polio endemic countries in 2012. India received Polio-free certification in 2014. She also mentioned about the unprecedented progress that India has made in eradication of Polio but the risks still remain due to complacency, emergence of UDPVs, areas with low population immunity, international importation, gap in AFP surveillance or delays in detection of WPV and delayed or inadequate response to importation. In order to intensify IEC activities, mass mobilization activities on celebrity endorsements, print media engagement, electronic media/television and advocacy and partnerships have been introduced, she added.

Commissioner, Nagaland visits Peshu Village

The reception programme of Commissioner, Nagaland, M. Patton, IAS was held at Peshu village on 5th March 2019. Patton highlighted some important

facts with regard to Lok Sabha Elections 2019, in order to conduct free and fair election in a peaceful atmosphere. He also encouraged the public and the departments present to maintain self determination to deliver justice while performing their assigned duties and extend co-operation to the Government for development. Patton also distributed shawls to all the Town Gaonburas and Area Gaonburas during the occasion.

Advisor, Fisheries & Aquatic Resources, Evaluation and Economic & Statistics, L. Khumo spoke on the occasion, thanking the Commissioner and his team including the other departments for their concern over the Sub-Division.

Commissioner, Nagaland and his team also visited the SDO (C) Office and held a meeting at the Dobashis and Gaonburas Court, Thonoknyu HQ.

Workshop on EEM held at Kohima

In connection with the ensuing general election to the Nagaland Parliamentary Constituency 2019, a briefing-cum-workshop on Election Expenditure Monitoring (EEM) was held with all the representatives of recognised political parties and media personnel at DPDB's Conference Hall, Kohima on 6th March 2019.

Nodal Officer for EEM, Vineet Kumar, IAS, Assistant Commissioner highlighted on the important issues to be adhered by the political parties and its candidates and also the role of media during the election process. He also highlighted on the major legal provisions related to EEM such as Representation of People's Act 1951, Conduct of Election Rules, 1961, India Penal Code, 1860 and Instructions on EEM. He spoke on the importance of separate bank account of a candidate or join account with election agent (not with family members), stating that the bank account can be opened at least one day before the date of filing of nomination. All amount meant for election should be deposited in this account for expenditure, all expenditure above Rs. 10,000 to be paid through a/c payee cheque and all donations from single

person/entity during election process in excess of Rs. 10,000 should be received by a/c payee cheque or draft or account transfer only.

On media related matter, Kumar said that the Election Commission of India is giving a lot of emphasis on role of media as it plays a critical role not only for the conduct of free and fair election but also makes the task of the election machinery easier. Highlighting on the District Media Certification and Monitoring Committee (MCMC), he said that MCMC has been constituted in the district and state level, to monitor all the paid news of a candidate and political parties which will be accounted in his account or party account. He said for pre-certification, all political advertisements appearing in electronic media has to be pre-certified by the MCMC while advertisement in print media on poll day and one day before the polling also needs to be pre-certified.

On social media, Kumar said that it also comes under the purview of certification where expenditure on advertisement in social media is to be included in the final statement of expenditure. Political advertisement in e-paper requires pre-certification while content in form of messages/photo comments/videos/blogs/self accounts on website is not treated as political advertisement which does not require pre-certification, he added. He further stressed on the role of media for constructive and positive role, wide publicity for citizens awareness, important role in conducting clean election, 'eyes and ears' for MCC violation and to maintain ethical reporting.

Nagaland Celebrates International Women's Day

Nagaland celebrated the International Women's Day with the theme, 'Think equal, build smart, innovate for change.' The function was held at the Civil Secretariat Conference Hall, Kohima on 8th March 2019.

Addressing the occasion as special guest, Chief Secretary, Temjen Toy, IAS who is also the State Chief Patron paid rich tributes to the Naga women for their

significant contribution in building towards the Naga society in various aspects. Appreciating the Naga women, Toy said that women's contribution and achievement so far speaks volume and urged them to continue working hard and surge ahead to bring more changes in the state.

Toy stated that opportunity of equal rights and equity should be given to women in all aspects for the upliftment of women as well as the society. He also said that women should be given equal rights as half of the state's population comprises of women. The Chief Secretary opined that various departments such as Health sectors, Agriculture, Education etc. should converge together to address women related issues and other aspects as well. Saying that empowering women is not the sole responsibility of the Social Welfare Department or the agencies under it, he requested all the departments to come forward and bear equal responsibility.

On the occasion, the special guest also released Data Bank – Volume 2, a compilation of women centric schemes and flagship programmes, video on Women Helpline 0181, and launched Mahila Shakti Kendra & Sakhi – One Stop Centre (OSC). The theme song for women titled 'Rise Naga women' was also officially launched by the Chief Guest. The tunes of the song were composed by Professor Theyiesienuo Keditsu, music by Khyochano TCK and it was sung by Topeni Assumi, former Naga Idol.

Secretary, Social Welfare Department, Sara R. Ritse in her keynote address said that State Resource Centre for Women (SRCW) – Nagaland Chapter has been doing exceptionally well in the country and they are truly an asset to the department as well. She mentioned that, with SRCW as the project management unit, Nagaland State was awarded among top five states for excellent performance in Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) in recognition of the 'overall support, guidance, monitoring and achieving the targets of BBBP' during the National Girl Child Day celebrations in Delhi. She also said it was encouraging to see big states such as Tamil Nadu

come to Nagaland (in 2018) on recommendation of the Ministry to study the good practices of SRCW and to replicate the way Nagaland is implementing the BBBP, One Stop Centre and 181 - Women Helpline in their state.

Additional Director, Social Welfare Department, Tulula Pongen in her introductory message encouraged all Naga women to continue contributing more to the society and also to continue to strive to fight for the right of women.

Phek:

The Phek Town Women Baptist Union in collaboration with the District Administration under Beti Bachao Beti Padhao programme organised the International Women's Day celebration in Phek Town Baptist Church under the global theme 'Balance for better.'

Zaposhelu Venuh and Votalü Luru-o were awarded with certificates and cash incentives in recognition for their valuable service and contribution towards upliftment of women community and the welfare of girl child in the district.

SDO (C) HQ, T. Lemlila Sangtam delivered greetings from District Administration, Phek. The theme Speaker, Vevolu Khamo shared on the importance of gender equality for a holistic development of a society.

Longleng:

International Women's Day was celebrated at Longleng in collaboration with Phomla Hoichem, the apex women organization of the Phom community on 8th March 2019 at EBRC Hall with EAC Yachem, Pichano Kikon as the theme speaker.

Speaking on the theme 'Think equal, build smart, innovate for change,' Pichano asserted that in this fast changing world, innovation is taking place in every field everywhere but we must examine whether these innovation is benefiting our womenfolk or not. 'We must come out of the cocoon to explore and to encourage one another to bring change for a better

society,' she added.

CDPO Tamlu, T. Longlang in his welcome address spoke on the activities and various schemes for women and children under the Social Welfare Department, and said we must be aware of the schemes provided by the Government and avail the opportunities provided.

As part of the programme, commemoration of one successful year of PMMVY programme was also observed by conducting Registration Drive under PMMVY for both mother and baby upto one year and three months old.

Pfutsero:

The Chakhesang Women Welfare Society in collaboration with the Pfutsero Town Mothers' Association celebrated International Women's Day on 8th of March 2019 with SDO (C), Dr. Diana Patton as the keynote speaker.

In her address, Dr. Diana urged the gathering to rise up and transform the society, basing its principles on the various set of laws and acts formulated by the constitution for women rights and safety. She also appealed to the women organizations, institutions and individuals to initiate a change of mindset and fight for their rights and equality.

The celebration was attended by representatives of 11 sectors of Pfutsero town.

SDO (C), Pfutsero, Dr. Diana Patton addressing the gathering during the International Women's Day celebrations at Pfutsero on 8th March 2019.

Bhandari:

International Women's Day-cum-literary competition under Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, organised by the District Administration, Wokha was held at the Town Hall Bhandari on 8th March 2019.

Special guest of the programme, Thungsali Odyuo, President Eloe Hoho Bhandari, thanked the District Administration for the support and intensified effort to help empower and uplift the status of women in the society by helping them to be more aware of their rights, potentials and worth and to be partners in building a progressive society for all on equal terms. She also called upon the women in the community to feel encouraged and take the opportunities in positive ways to help build better homes and families.

Additional Deputy Commissioner, Bhandari, Tiameren Chang in his keynote address stated that a society which does not acknowledge or value the contribution that women as mothers, wives, daughters and sisters gives without condition, will lack in progress in the changing times and exhorted them to support and respect the share of responsibilities they bear for the good of all.

In the programme, extempore, prepared and narrative speech competition was held for students from schools and the winning participants were awarded with prizes. Adolescents Club Bhandari also presented a special number.



Peren:

Peren district observed International Women's Day on 8th March 2019 at Peren Town GB Hall under the theme "Think equal, build smart, innovate for change." The programme was organised by the Social Welfare Department, Peren.

President, Zeliangrong Mipui Organization Nagaland, Apeuna I Heilung spoke on the significance of International Day for women. Special number was presented by A/W Helpers. CDPO Jalukie, Namhuhing invoked God's blessings.

ASLB RELEASES AROK OSEP

The Ao Dictionary titled "Arok Osep" by Ao Senden Literature Board was officially released by Chief Secretary. Temjen Toy, IAS in the presence of leaders and representatives from different units and institutions at DBIDL Hall, River Belt Colony, Dimapur on 9th March 2019.

Addressing the gathering, Chief Secretary stated that the identity of a tribe and its culture is its language. Lauding the Ao Senden Literature Board for bringing out the dictionary, he felt the need to revise from time to time to keep updating the new words. In his opinion, some words are better borrowed, as a completely new word may only confuse and harm

the interest of the people towards the language. He also suggested to design a smartphone app for easy accessibility and to generate more interest among the minds of young people.

According to Chief Editor, Rev. C. Walu Walling, the dictionary was brought out focussing on development, preservation and propagation and has more than 7000 words with English translation.

The Arok Osep Editorial Board included Prof. A. Lanunungsang, Dr. Chubatola, I. Anungba Sanglir, I. Temjen Tzudir, Dr. Pangersenla Walling, Dr. Imlienla Imchen and Dr. T. Temsunungsang Jamir.

NAGALAND OBSERVES NID

Nagaland joined the rest of the country in administering Polio drops to children between 0-5 years on 10th March 2019 on National Immunization Day. In the State capital Kohima, the first round of Intensive Pulse Polio Immunization (IPPI) was held at Naga Hospital Kohima with Principal Secretary, Himato Zhimomi administering two drops of oral Polio vaccine to a child.

Children between 0-5 years were administered in the nearest Polio booths at Kohima by deploying adequate health workers in all the booths. Polio immunization is one of the largest national health exercises to completely eradicate Polio disease from the country.

Kicking off the Polio Immunization programme, Managing Director, Naga Hospital Authority Kohima,

Dr. Thorhusie Katiry said India has remained free of Polio with no report of fresh Polio cases, adding that India once remained at high risk in the world but is now free of Polio.

On the occasion, Health & Family Welfare Department felicitated various departments and organizations for their commendable contribution towards the Measles-Rubella Vaccination Campaign during the month of October and November 2018.

Wokha:

Wokha district conducted Intensified Pulse Polio Immunization (IPPI) on 10th March 2019. SDO(C), Chonbenthung Ezung administered the first Polio drops in the midst of Deputy CMO, Dr. Zuben Kikon; DPO (UIP/RCH), Dr. Khelito Zhimomi, Programme

Officers, CDPOs, Senior Supervisor (Social Welfare) and medical staff in the Model Anganwadi Centre at Vungoju colony, Wokha town.

To ensure that all children 0-5 years receive Polio drops, a total of 197 Polio booths, five transit teams and one mobile team were set up. State External Observer, Dr. John Kemp SSO (IDSP) H&FW and his team visited the urban Polio booths.

On 10th March 2019, Wokha Battalion 28 Assam Rifles under the aegis of Headquarters (N) organized Pulse Polio Immunization at Unit Hospital. The programme was conducted

by Regimental Medical Officer (RMO) and staff. A total of 41 children under the age group of 0-5 years were administered Polio drops.

Also, on 10th March 2019, the Medical Department, Bhandari Block, led by Medical Officers CHC Bhandari, Dr. Lawrence Lotha and Dr. Chumdemo Ngullie successfully conducted IPPI and health checkup programme. Medical teams set out all over the villages and town areas of the Sub Division to ensure total coverage of the immunization programme. In the border and remote area villages of Bhandari block such as Sumito, Akahaika, Akahuto, Kakathuto, Aghuitito and Azhuhuto, etc. the Medical Officers CHC Bhandari also conducted medical check-up for the villagers.

Longleng:

In Longleng, Intensified Pulse Polio Immunization (IPPI) programme was launched by the Deputy Commissioner and Chairman, District Health Society, Longleng, John Tsulise Sangtam on 10th March 2019 at NST Junction.

Asserting that parents are fully responsible to



Medical Officers, Bhandari CHC with the villagers of Akahaika under Bhandari Block during the IPPI and health checkup programme on 10th March 2019.

ensure safety and immunization of their children, John Tsulise Sangtam said that if the parents neglect to immunize Polio drops to their children, then they fail to ensure safety of their children and at the same time they become an agent of spreading diseases in the family as well as in the community. Therefore, he urged the parents to be aware of their responsibility and disseminate the importance of immunization to their community for a Polio free society. Lauding the DPO Longleng and his team for conducting the IPPI programme based on headcount and not on statistic reports, John said this indicates the serious concern of the District Medical Department for cent percent immunization of children in Longleng. The DC also lauded the Medical department of Longleng for successful completion of Measles Rubella Vaccination Campaign (MRVC) in the district and gave away the appreciation certificate to government agencies for their support and cooperation rendered to the MRVC.

In his keynote address, the DPO (RCH/UIO) Longleng, Dr. Imnameren Phom spoke on the significance of the day and pointed out that since



DC, Longleng, John Tsulise Sangtam administering the first polio drop to a child during the IPPI programme at NST Junction, Longleng on 10th March 2019.

the inception of Polio Immunization globally, 99% of Polio related diseases was reduced with complete eradication of Type 2 and 3 Polio categories

worldwide. He also pointed out that Polio is transmitted from person to person and there are no medicines available for treatment except through vaccine. He appealed to all the government agencies, NGOs and civil societies, churches and all responsible persons to come forward and assist the Medical Department for complete immunization to eradicate Polio from humanity.

SP Longleng and Vice President PPC also spoke and shared their views for complete immunization in the district. DC and Chairman DHS launched the IPPI programme by administering the first Polio drops to a child.

YOUNG TALENTED ARTISTES AWARD CEREMONY

The Young Talented Artistes Award Ceremony for the Year 2017-18 was held coinciding with Shilpgram Mahotsav on 8th March 2019 at Shilpgram, Guwahati. The Award Ceremony was organized by the North East Zone Cultural Centre (NEZCC), Ministry of Culture. The Awards were given away by Governor of Nagaland and Chairman, NEZCC, P. B. Acharya.

The NEZCC awarded 12 (four females and eight males) deserving Young Talented Artistes, namely Dhruvajyoti Talukdar (Mime), Assam; Kaushik Kumar Handique (Sattriya dance), Assam; Krishnakshi Kashyap (Sattriya dance), Assam; Athokpam Chanchan Devi (Maibi Jagoi (Folk Dance)), Manipur; Khundrakpam Sanatombi Chanu (Theatre (Acting)); Chuileng Muivah (Painting – Creative Arts), Manipur; Genesareth Majaw (Painting – Creative Arts), Meghalaya; Haniel Rejel Jones Kharlukhi (Folk

Tribal Music (Duitar)), Meghalaya; Shemphanglin Khardewsaw (Folk Tribal Music (Ksing), Meghalaya; Lalthlanchhuaha (Fine Art (Painting)), Mizoram; Kilangtemsu (Theatre Director), Nagaland; Tongpangwati Walling (Theatre Acting), Nagaland. They were awarded Rs.10,000 each along with memento and certificate.

The Young Talented Artistes Awards Scheme was introduced in 2003-2004 by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India to encourage and recognize young talents in various folk art forms in different regions of the country. The focus discipline of the awards are folk dance, folk music and songs, classical dance like Sattriya dance of Assam, Manipuri classical dances, folk theatre, creative arts/painting, etc. in the age group of 18 to 30 years.

Shilpgram Mahotsav 2019 inaugurated by Governor

Shilpgram Mahotsav 2019, a national level of Folk Dance, Music, Craft and Traditional Cuisine Festival was organized by NEZCC in commemoration of its 12th year foundation of Shilpgram (Craft Village) from 8th to 10th March 2019 at Shilpgram, Panjabari, Guwahati.

The festival was inaugurated by the Governor of Nagaland and Chairman of NEZCC, P. B. Acharya by lighting the traditional lamp of Mangal Aarti. Dr.

Shah Mohammad Tanvir Monsur, Assistant High Commissioner of Bangladesh, Guwahati; Sherub Phuntsho, Vice Consul General, Royal Bhutanese Consulate General, Guwahati and Barnali Sharma, ACS, Director, Cultural Affairs, Government of Assam graced the occasion as a Guests of Honour and Special Invitee. The address was delivered by Jitul Sonowal, Director, NEZCC.

CEO Nagaland holds meeting with political parties

CEO Nagaland, Abhijit Sinha IAS held a meeting with all political parties for General Election to Lok Sabha 2019 and bye-election to 26-Aonglenden AC on 14th March 2019.

The CEO appraised the political party representatives on types of election expenditure, disqualification relating to election expenditure, legal provision of expenditure, why monitoring of

expenditure is required and criminal antecedents contesting election.

Other officials also briefed the party workers on paid news, MCMC, Suidha and cVIGIL. Representatives from various political parties in the state attended the meeting and interacted with Commissioner, Nagaland, M. Patton, Additional CEO, N. Moa Aier besides the CEO.



CEO, Nagaland, Abhijit Sinha, IAS speaking at a meeting with all the political parties for General Election to Lok Sabha 2019 and bye-election to 26-Aonglenden AC at Kohima on 14th March 2019.

In the age of acceleration, we cannot stay idle: Alemtemshi Jamir



Alemtemshi Jamir, IAS (Retd.) speaking at the Officers' Conference at the Directorate of Information & Public Relations, Kohima on 15th March 2019.

In the age of acceleration, we cannot stay idle; we have to participate and grow along with it or we will be nowhere, said Alemtemshi Jamir IAS (Retd.), speaking at the Officers' Conference at the Directorate of Information & Public Relations on 15th March 2019.

Deliberating on the topic 'Government media in the age of acceleration,' Alemtemshi said that the age of acceleration is here to stay and therefore, we have to think on how to cope with it. Also stressing on the importance of connectivity, he said that everything that is happening globally is also affecting us here in Nagaland, and added that in this age where things are changing fast, we cannot just sit and listen but we should act.

Jamir said social media has great power and potential of mobilizing opinion but is not capable of sustaining or arriving at a consensus. Nagas have to change and move forward as we are now living in the age of acceleration. He opined that Nagas should start paying tax and start having ownership in the roads and development. Jamir said that media should be ahead, thinking and producing and government media has a big role to play. He added media views should have clarity in the age of confusion and the

views should have values in the age of chaos.

Commissioner & Secretary, IPR, V. Maria Yanthan also addressing the officers, said that we should keep ourselves updated as the world is moving at a fast pace. She reminded the officers that they are the mouthpiece of the government and has to play an important role in disseminating information to the people, especially at the grassroot level. She also said that more of such trainings should be organised in the near future so as to refresh and upgrade

the skills of the officers and staff.

While speaking about the vision of IPR, Atuzo APRO mentioned that the department should disseminate information by dwelling more into social media through sites like Twitter and Instagram etc. He stressed on the role the department can play in visual media because of the importance that films and videos have in the society, especially among the youth.

He also suggested that the rural sectors have infrastructure set up, like Community Information Centres where they can get up to date information and news.

YRS conducts three day intensive training

The Department of Youth Resources & Sports conducted the "Three day Intensive Training" for staff of the Directorate, District and other affiliated Units of the Department from the 14th to 16th March 2019 with Dr. Hovithal Sothu, Project Director - Music Task Force as the resource person. The training covered topics like Work Ethics, Office Code of Conduct, File Noting, Drafting Skills, Group Discussion and Practical Activities, etc.

AWARDS IN THE NAME OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS OF NE INDIA IN JNU

'University education must strive towards the service of society and nation,' said P.B. Acharya, Governor of Nagaland, in an award distribution ceremony held at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. NAMASTE Governor Acharya Award 2018 in the honour of freedom fighters of North East India was organized by Special Centre for the Study of North East India, JNU.

The function was chaired by Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar, Vice Chancellor of JNU, who is instrumental in the establishment of the special centre. Stating that such a programme is the first of its kind in JNU, he expressed the need to promote and encourage multi-disciplinary research on Northeast.

'Five awards will be given every year in honour of freedom fighters from the states of North East India in rotation,' said Prof. Bhagat Oinam, Chairperson of the Centre, while welcoming the dignitaries. He appreciated Governor P.B. Acharya for being the patron of this award. Dinesh Kumar, Secretary to

Governor of Nagaland informed the audience about the purpose of instituting this award in JNU.

The competition for the awards was based on M. Phil and Ph. D researches being carried out by students of JNU in various issues and problems of the region. The five awardees are Aditya Bordalai, Gaihoilu Gangmei, Md. Chingiz Khan, Munmi Pathak and Sikha Dutta in honour of U Tirot Singh of Meghalaya, Rani Gaidinliu of Nagaland, Bir Tikendrajit Singh of Manipur, Lokpriya Gopinath Bardoloi of Assam and Pasaltha Khuangchera of Mizoram respectively.

'The acronym NAMASTE stands for N-North/Nagaland, A-Assam, M-Manipur/Mizoram/Meghalaya, A-Arunachal Pradesh, S-Sikkim, T-Tripura, and E-East. It recognizes students who have not only excels in their academic pursuits but also develops all round skills and attains remarkable achievements in the domain they have a strong passion for.

GOVERNOR ACHARYA ADDRESSES AAVAAN- 2019 AT IIT DELHI

Governor of Nagaland, P. B. Acharya attended the AAVAAN- 2019 at IIT Delhi on 17th March 2019. During conversation with screen writer, columnist and author Advaita Kala on the theme 'A call of changemakers,' the Governor stated that there are about 800 universities in our country, out of which, five universities are from Nagaland. He said that university education must also include the service of society and nation and challenged them to come out and do research works for the welfare of the weaker section, with emphasis in the tribal areas to empower them with education. He reiterated on the need to empower the unpowered. He also appealed to the

students and professionals to invest their knowledge and work for the interest of the nation instead of going to other countries. The IIT students and universities from the mainland must visit the North East states and carry out studies/research on natural resources and the rich culture and come out with the best strategies to strengthen them through education and development, Governor Acharya added.

The Governor was accompanied by Dinesh Kumar, IAS, Commissioner & Secretary to the Governor, Nagaland and Kethosituo Sekhose, Deputy Resident Commissioner, Nagaland House, New Delhi.

LAUNCHING OF TT TO TD-CUM-FELICITATION PROGRAMME HELD AT IMDH

The launching programme of TT to Td, which is the conversion of Tetanus (TT) to Tetanus and Adult Diphtheria (Td) was held at Imkongliba Memorial District Hospital (IMDH) on 19th March 2019.

Speaking on the occasion, Joint Director and State Immunization Officer, Directorate of Health & Family Welfare, Dr. Ritu Thurr said since 1998, World Health Organization (WHO) has recommended that TT should be replaced by Td vaccine which is a combination of Tetanus and Diphtheria with lower concentration of Diphtheria antigen (d) as recommended for older children and adults.

The use of Td is rather recommended than TT during pregnancy to protect against maternal and Neonatal Tetanus and Diphtheria during prenatal care. Vaccination during pregnancy also serves to boost immunity and increase the duration of protection in

those pregnant women who has not received the full set recommended booster doses.

The launching of TT to Td was followed by felicitation of those departments who actively supported during the Measles Rubella Vaccination Campaign (MRVC) from 3rd October to 29th November 2018 in the district. Chief Medical Officer (CMO), Mokokchung, Dr. Chubala Aier in her keynote address thanked the District Administration, Department of Social Welfare, Education Department, Department of Information & Public Relations, All Nagaland Private School Association (Mokokchung Unit) for taking active part during the MRVC. On behalf of the Department of H&FW, Joint Director (SIO) H&FW, Dr. Ritu Thurr handed over certificates of appreciation to all the departments and Associations.



Officials from the Department of H&FW during the launching programme of TT to Td at IMDH, Mokokchung on 19th March 2019.

P&C Department visits projects under Shamator sub-division

Planning & Co-ordination Department visited three village VDB SMTR, Yakor, Sangphu and Shamator village and inspected the work undertaken during 2015-16. This was followed by interaction session with the villagers and the concerned department.

The inspection team was led by Toshi Ao, BDO Shamator and his staff. The team also received positive feedback and satisfaction about the completed projects.

Awareness Campaign on 'No to Plastic, Yes to Clean Election' at Kohima

A musical concert campaign for awareness creation with the theme "No to plastic, yes to clean election" began at Kohima from High School Colony junction on 20th March 2019. It will culminate on 6th April 2019 and cover all the 19 wards. The awareness campaign was organised by Kohima Municipal Council (KMC) in collaboration with the Music Task Force (MTF), Department of Youth Resources & Sports.

Administrator KMC, Kovi Meyase in his short speech said that the awareness campaign has been organised to create awareness about our common resolve to restrict the use of plastic within the city and also to propagate clean election practices through the medium of music. He said that the KMC had organised rounds of sensitization and discussion in the month of November 2018 covering all the 19 wards, traders, women group of AMK, Kohima Town Baptist Pastors Fellowship and further informed that they would be covering the other denominations as well.

Keeping in line with the Government's decision on restriction of use of plastic, Kovi said that the intention is to sensitize the public on plastic management not in closed doors but through the

medium of music in order to attract the attention of the public. He appealed to the public to take the issue seriously and extend their support in creating awareness in the days to come. Kovi further lauded the Green Team Kohima for their services rendered in this issue so far and stated that they are the backbone of the plastic management movement in Kohima town.

A member from Green Team Kohima also spoke on 'No to plastic' while Master Trainer for Election process, Bodevi Shüya spoke on EVM and VVPAT where he also highlighted the important 11 documents besides the EPIC card, directed by the Election Commission of India (ECI), which has to be produced by the voters in order to franchise his/her vote on the polling day.

During the awareness campaign, hands on EVM and VVPAT set up in the SVEEP mobile van were also carried out by the public with Master Trainers Pikato V. Jimo and Kitocho Michael Swu.

A group of youngsters from Chakhesang Baptist Church, Kohima performed in the concert while altogether five choirs, two bands and six soloists including two more local artists have been engaged to perform in the musical concerts during the campaign for the 19 wards under Kohima town.

Election Expenditure Observer for Kohima holds video conference with five districts

Election Expenditure Observer for Kohima, Dimapur, Peren, Phek and Pughoboto, L. P. Singh held a preparedness review meeting for five districts through Video Conferencing (VC) at NIC DC's Office, Kohima on 20th March 2019.

During the VC, the Election Expenditure Observer took stock of the first hand information on the electioneering process carried out by the five districts in regard to the constitution of various cells, trainings and related matters under Election Expenditure and Monitoring. He invited for any

queries from the districts, stating that it was the right platform to clarify their doubts where no queries have been raised by the districts.

The Observer reminded the members present in the VC from various districts to strictly adhere with the Model Code of Conduct (MCC) and requested all the cells, which have been formed for the election to carry out their duties efficiently in their respective areas. 'All the critical events should be covered by Videography, Surveillance and Flying Squad teams and any untoward incidents should be reported accordingly,' he said.

The Observer asked all the Assistant Expenditure Observers (AEOs) to maintain Shadow Observation Register properly, which he will be inspecting during his visit to each district. He hoped that the Excise Department have been on their job and further requested the AEOs to maintain the record properly whenever there has been any seizure of liquor in their respective areas.

The Observer further requested the Nodal Officers to be more vigilant and to be more effective thereby covering all the critical aspects for smooth electioneering process in the state. He further asked them to upload any issues for clarification through whatsapp or message to his contact number directly, and added that he would give his best to answer any queries or issues in this regard. Noting all the mechanism has been put in place for the conduct of election in all the districts, the Observer informed that he would be putting up his report to the Election Commission of India (ECI), intimating that all the mechanism has been put in place in the five districts of Nagaland.

Tokheho, K.L. Chishi file nominations for Nagaland Parliamentary Election 2019

Tokheho Yepthomi from Nationalist Democratic Progressive Party (NDPP) and K.L. Chishi from Indian National Congress (INC) filed nominations for

election to the House of the People from 1-Nagaland Parliamentary Constituency on 22nd March 2019 at the Conference hall of the Office of the Commissioner, Nagaland.

The nomination papers and other documents of both the candidates and proposers were duly scrutinized and verified by Commissioner & Returning Officer, Nagaland, M. Patton and ADC (HQ) & ARO, Limanenla.

WORLD WATER DAY OBSERVED

Tuensang:

Water Resources Department along with the line departments PHED, Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Soil & Water Conservation observed World Water Day with the theme "Leaving no one behind - safe water for all." The programme was conducted at CBLT Jubilee Memorial Hall, Tuensang on 22nd March 2019 with Deputy Commissioner, Mohammad Ali Shihab as the special guest.

Speaking on the occasion, the Special Guest applauded the efforts of the Water Resources Department and line departments for cooperative working system. He highlighted the rough statistics of rainfall in Nagaland which will extend up to eight months from one year which is a positive sign for a small state like Nagaland. Stating on the practice of Jhum cultivation, he said that it may be hard to eradicate but we can also reduce the magnitude of the uses so that we can minimize the negative impacts on the water resources.

Water Resources and the line departments displayed PPT on the respective department activities, programmes and schemes. The programme was followed by EVM demonstration for the benefit of the members.

Wokha:

Soil & Water Conservation Department organized International World Water Day on 22nd March 2019 at

District Fisheries Office, Wokha on the theme 'Leaving no one behind - safe water for all,' with EAC Imtinungla as the special guest.

Addressing the gathering, the Special Guest stated that all our natural resources are diminishing at a rapid pace which is very alarming for our survival, and she urged all to change our ways of living by way of using water resourcefully. She also appealed to the line departments to create innovative plans and ways to tackle water shortage problems.

District Forest Officer, Zuthunglo Patton speaking during the occasion appealed to the participants and citizens in making Mt. Tiyi forest greener as this forest is the only source of water for Wokha town and called for its preservation and conservation so that we can get safe and sufficient drinking water for generation to come.

JE, PHED, Er.Chenithung while giving the status of water resources under PHED Wokha Division said water is called the 'Elixir of life.' But, with the expansion of human population, developmental activities and reckless deforestation, surface as well as ground water sources are getting depleted as well as contaminated. Despite this fact, we still tend to give less importance to this precious life sustaining liquid. Unless a common responsibility is shouldered by all, the slogan 'Leaving no one behind - safe water for all' will never become a reality.

Zunheboto:

Zunheboto district celebrated World Water Day and also launched the Clean Election Campaign on 23rd March 2019 at Bazaar Traffic Point.

Deputy Commissioner, Shanavas C encouraged the students and the public to understand and adapt the culture of preserving water and also know the various means on how water is polluted and how



EAC, Wokha, Imtinungla Longkumer speaking at the International World Water Day programme at District Fisheries Office, Wokha on 22nd March 2019.

to avoid pollution of water. He added that by doing so, they are only making way for a brighter and safe future.

In connection with the Clean Election Campaign, the DC distributed carry bags which was issued in the public interest by the Office of Deputy Commissioner and DEO Zunheboto. The DC encouraged the people to cast their votes fairly and that no force or money should restrain him/her from voting who he/she thinks is the right person. The DC also encouraged the people for use of carry bags instead of plastic bags, as plastic bags takes longer time to decompose thereby causing environmental hazards/pollution.

Along with the Deputy Commissioner, Additional Deputy Commissioner Ajit Kumar Ranjan, EAC Litsen Kikon and students from Olympic Higher Secondart School, Love Dale Higher Secondary School, Immanuel Higher Secondary School, Corner Stone Higher Secondary School, Government Higher Secondary School and Bloomfield Higher Secondary School participated in the event.

Kiphire:

Kiphire District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting-cum-World Water Day on the theme

'Leaving no one behind-safe water for all' was held on 22nd March 2019 at DC's Conference Hall.

DSCO, Chumei Yanlem highlighted on the importance of water and also the major steps to

be taken up. She said that Nagaland faces water scarcity problems and gave suggestions on recycling water. Demonstration of EVM/VVPAT was carried out by Dr. Tsilise.

C-Edge College observes 5th Commencement Day

C-Edge College observed its 5th Commencement Day - class of 2019 on 22nd March 2019 at Goyiepra Kenye Auditorium (College campus), Naga United Village, Dimapur.

Director, IPR, Limawati Ao who graced the day as Commencement Speaker, reminded the students about the changes that is taking place at fast pace in the present scenario, saying we have to adapt with continuous innovation/creativity to be comfortable in this accelerating world.

Narrating the transition that took place dating back from Stone Age to the present Data Age, Limawati observed that development of human knowledge is accelerating at such a speed where no individual can slow down the process but have

to adapt. He advised the students to be focused single mindedly and to be resilient. Encouraging the students to go for a career where they have the potential and talent, he said 'If you find your calling, you will do well and bring changes for the society.'

On the occasion, Limawati Ao also released the Year Book 2019 and also gave away the college award in various categories. Other highlights of the programme included Pledge of Allegiance by the outgoing students, speeches by student representatives and presentation of special songs. Er. Moa Aier delivered the opening address while Assistant Professor, Inza invoked God's blessings. Principal, C- Edge College, Dr. Chubatola Aier, faculty, staff and students attended the programme.

HAYITHUNG, THROMWA FILE NOMINATIONS

Hayithung Tungoe of National People's Party and Dr. M. M. Thromwa Konyak of Indian Christian Secular Party filed nominations on the last day of nomination for election to the House of the People for 1-Nagaland Parliamentary Constituency Election 2019 at Commissioner's Conference Hall on 25th March 2019.

The nomination papers and other important documents of the candidates were duly scrutinised and verified by the Commissioner & Returning Officer, Nagaland, M. Patton, assisted by ADC (HQ) & ARO, Limanenla in the presence of General Observer, Ravi Jha, IAS.

FELICITATION PROGRAMME FOR KAYAKALP AWARDEES AT KOHIMA

The Award Ceremony of Kayakalp 'A clean hospital initiative' was held at Health & Family Welfare Directorate, Kohima on 26th March 2019.

Chairperson SPO, NHM, Dr. Thanghoi Lam mentioned that the Department has carried out the

Kayakalp Award assessment for the year 2018-19 with the following objectives - to promote cleanliness, hygiene and infection; control practices in public health care facilities; to sensitize and recognize such public health care facilities that show exemplary

performance in adhering to standard protocols of cleanliness and infection control; to inculcate a culture of ongoing assessment and peer review of performance related to hygiene, cleanliness and sanitation; and to create and share sustainable practices related to improved cleanliness in public health facilities linked to positive health outcomes. He also said that it was mandatory for all PHCs and CHCs to participate.

Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, I. Himato Zhimomi mentioned that there is tremendous effort through these awards, as they provide a level of quality in terms of services, especially cleanliness which is replicable to the state and also comparable to any states in the country. He further added that it is an uphill task as far as hygiene is concerned and unless hygiene is inculcated into the lifestyle of the people, no amount of facilities that are provided can help in the upkeep of health care facilities in public places. He also said that if hospitals can be the agents as place for healing, a general environment of goodness and wellness, it would bring good service to humanity. He said that Kayakalp has brought



Principal Secretary, H&FW, Himato Zhimomi felicitating one of the awardees of Kayakalp held at Health & Family Welfare Directorate, Kohima on 26th March 2019.

out different activities in the medical section and appreciated the enthusiasm especially from the remote areas within the state.

The following are the categories of Kayakalp Award scheme under Quality Assurance Programme 2018-19.

DH Category

1 st	DH Mon	Rs. 25 lakh
2 nd	DH Kiphire	Rs. 15 lakh

Commendation

DH Phek	Rs. 3 lakh
DH Wokha	Rs. 3 lakh
IMDH Mokokchung	Rs. 3 lakh

Most Sustainable DH	DH Phek	Rs. 3 lakh
Most Improved DH	DH Wokha	Rs. 3 lakh
Best Landscape/Aesthetic DH	DH Phek	Rs. 3 lakh
Most Innovative DH	DH Phek	Rs. 1 lakh

CHC Category

1 st	CHC Noklak	Rs. 10 lakh
2 nd	CHC Sanis	Rs. 5 lakh

Commendation

CHC Tuli	Rs. 1 lakh
CHC Viswema	Rs. 1 lakh

PHC Category

Districts	Name of PHC	
Kohima	PHC Chunlikha	Rs. 2 lakh
Dimapur	PHC Niuland	Rs. 2 lakh
Wokha	PHC Nyiro	Rs. 2 lakh
Mokokchung	PHC Merangkong	Rs. 2 lakh
Tuensang	PHC Longpang	Rs. 2 lakh
Peren	PHC Dungki	Rs. 2 lakh
Kiphire	PHC Likhimro	Rs. 2 lakh
Zunheboto	PHC Satakha	Rs. 2 lakh
Mon	PHC Changlangshu	Rs. 2 lakh

Commendation

PHC Chizami	Rs. 50,000/-
PHC Botsa	Rs. 50,000/-
PHC Khonoma	Rs. 50,000/-
PHC Kuhuboto	Rs. 50,000/-
PHC Englan	Rs. 50,000/-
PHC Chukitong	Rs. 50,000/-
PHC Wozhuro	Rs. 50,000/-
PHC Chuchuyimlang	Rs. 50,000/-
PHC Longkhum	Rs. 50,000/-
PHC Chare	Rs. 50,000/-
PHC Athibung	Rs. 50,000/-
UPHC Seikhazou	Rs. 50,000/-
UPHC Burma Camp	Rs. 50,000/-
UPHC Mokokchung	Rs. 50,000/-
UPHC Tuensang	Rs. 50,000/-

CEO Nagaland Graces Orientation Workshop For PTC

All India Radio Kohima organized a one day orientation workshop for part-time correspondents on election matters at Hotel Japfu, Kohima on 26th March 2019. Chief Election Officer, Abhijit Sinha, IAS was the special guest.

Speaking to the news reporters present, the CEO said Election Commission of India comes out with fresh instructions from time to time. He said it is important that during any election, reporters should find out the latest instructions given out, because unknowingly one might violate the guidelines of the Commission. Abhijit mentioned that media is the best disseminator of election news including Model Code of Conduct (MCC) guidelines. He called for a smooth conduct of the election through close coordination with the media. He pointed out that extra care should be taken while criticizing policies, and reporting on critical statements and character assassination news. He said since many political parties will be contesting the election, news coverage should be

balanced and includes the opinion of all the groups.

On political advertisement, Abhijit informed on the requirement of pre-certification by committees at DEO and CEO level 48 hours before the election date. He explained the guidelines for publishing Exit Poll, and spoke on paid news and fake news. He requested the reporters to authenticate news from the election authorities - DEO and CEO, before reporting if one is not sure.

During the technical session, Additional CEO Nagaland, N. Moa Aier spoke on the role of media during elections. News Reader-cum-Translator, AIR, Jonas Yanthan spoke on the guidelines for coverage of election by AIR/DD.

CS chairs meeting on traffic congestion

A meeting regarding traffic management in Kohima town was held at the Chief Secretary's Conference Hall, Kohima on 26th March 2019. Members from the Kohima Municipal Council (KMC), Transport Department, Traffic Police Department, Kohima Village Youth Organisation (KVYO), Home Department, DGP presented their views to find out ways and means on the issues of traffic congestion within Kohima town.

Chief Secretary, Temjen Toy stated that all the concerned departments should come together and mitigate the problems regarding the traffic issue in Kohima town. He suggested for a change in the mode of operation of public transport, designated parking and smaller lane parking, to locate space for constructing a parking lot, and also in enforcing e-challan against traffic violations.

Kohima Traffic Police and Members from the various organizations and departments shared their observations how the problem of traffic congestion is compounded by indisciplined and unruly driving and haphazard and illegal parking. They also shared their suggestions for mitigation of the problem and agreed that concerted effort from all concerned authorities is required to ease and mitigate the problem.

The meeting also discussed issuing of notification by the DC, Kohima for removal of building materials dumped along the roadside, convening meetings with concerned authorities for coordination as well as for marking parking spaces etc.

RO informs on General and Expenditure Observers

Commissioner & Returning Officer, Nagaland, M. Patton informed that for any election related matters, all the political parties, candidates and general public have been asked to enquire at the given contact numbers and e-mail addresses of the General Observers and Expenditure Observers, in connection with the ensuing Lok Sabha Election 2019 for 1-Nagaland Parliamentary Constituency.

General Observers:

1. Alok, IAS (7005663073/ ps.alokrajasthan@gmail.com) attached to Commissioner, Nagaland and assigned to look after Dimapur, Peren, Kohima, Zunheboto, Pughoboto, Phek and Wokha.
2. Ravi Jha, IAS (6009073426/ ravijhalbsnaa@gmail.com) attached to DC's Office Mokokchung and assigned to look after Mokokchung, Mon, Tuensang, Kiphire and Longleng.

Expenditure Observers:

1. Prabhunand Singh, IRS (C&CE): 11 R-22241(9800050003) attached to DC's Office Kohima and assigned to look after Nagaland PC (AC No. 1-20)
2. S.Sundaresan, IRS (IT):04 R- 14926(9445955081) attached to DC's Office Mokokchung and assigned to look after Nagaland PC (AC No. 21- 40)
3. Dipakbhai Chimanbhai Zala, IRS (C&CE): 12 R-23920 (9505095863) attached to DC's Office Tuensang and assigned to look after Nagaland PC (AC No. 41-60)

Campus Interview conducted at Dimapur

Deltin Group, India's leading offshore Casino, Gaming, Cruises & Hotels group of companies headquartered in Goa conducted a campus interview at Emporium Skill Training Institute, located at Half Nagarjan, Dimapur on 25th, 26th and 27th of March 2019.

Interviews were conducted by Ashutosh - Human Resource Manager, Srinath Mahajan - Operations Manager (Casino and Gaming Division) and Reema Pilgaonkar - Human Resource Executive. Total of 81 students have been selected and offered positions in Deltin Cruises, Casino's, Hospitality and Gaming Departments. Deltin Group is also launching the first cruise line company in India and by August 2019, it will be sailing between India, Singapore, Malaysia and other South East Asian countries. Emporium Skill Training Institute had signed MoU as the official recruitment partner with Deltin Group in February 2019 for providing skilled manpower and this is the first campus interview conducted post agreement.

The selected students have been offered placement starting salaries ranging between 18 - 25 thousand per month along with all other statutory benefits like Free Boarding and Lodging Facilities, On Duty Meals, Medical, Provident Fund, Gratuity etc.

Cultural Event held at Raj Bhavan

Founder Secretary of SOORYA, Soorya Krishnamoorthy said the SOORYA will join hands with the Governor of Nagaland, P.B. Acharya in fulfilling his dream of national integration through culture while addressing a cultural event at Durbar Hall, Raj Bhavan, Kohima on 27th March 2019. He stated that India's peculiarity is 'unity in diversity' and opined that cultural exchange programmes and events would help in bringing the nation closer and strengthen the country as one.

Commissioner & Secretary to Governor, Nagaland, Dinesh Kumar, IAS while delivering his welcome address, stated that under the leadership of Governor Acharya, a number of events and programmes in the field of culture and other activities have been organised at the Raj Bhavan to show the peculiarity of India's 'unity in diversity.' People of Nagaland have a well knit social organisation which is an excellent example of 'unity in diversity,' he added. Stating it a rare occasion where artistes from North East and South India will be performing on a platform in Kohima, Dinesh Kumar appreciated Soorya Krishnamoorthi and his team for accepting the invitation to visit Nagaland.

Renowned Indian dance research scholar, educator, performer and choreographer, Dr. Methil Devika performed the Mohiniyattam while dancer T Reddy Lakshmi presented the Kuchipudi, both classical dances of India. The event also witnessed cultural performances by artistes from Nagaland, Assam and Manipur.

The event at Raj Bhavan was jointly organised by Department of Art & Culture, Government of Nagaland, NEZCC, Rattle & Hum Music Society and Indian National Fellowship, Mumbai.

Four Candidates to contest lone Lok Sabha seat

Commissioner & RO, Nagaland, Motsuthung Patton in form 7A notified that the state will witness the four corner contest with no withdrawal on the last day of withdrawal of nomination.

K. L. Chishi of INC with Hand as the party symbol; NDPP candidate, Tokheho Yepthomi with Globe as the symbol; Hayithung Tungoe of NPP with Book as the

symbol and lone Independent Candidate, Dr. M. M. Throngwa Konyak with Trumpet as the symbol filed their nominations for election to the House of the People from 1-Nagaland Parliamentary Constituency.

DD Goel appointed as Special Expenditure Observer for Nagaland

The Election Commission of India appointed D. D. Goel, IRS (Retd.) as Special Expenditure Observer in Nagaland for the election to the Lok Sabha. The Commission stated that the Special Expenditure Observer will be required to watch over the conduct of elections in the state with special emphasis on controlling and curbing the abuse of money power, in consultation with the CEO and other officers of the state and other Election Authorities as deemed appropriate.

EO inspects Election Expenditure Register

Expenditure Observer, L. P. Singh, IRS who has been assigned to monitor election expenses incurred by the candidates for election to the House of the People from 1-Nagaland Parliamentary Constituency inspected the expenditure register of all candidates during the 1st round of inspection at Commissioner's Conference Hall, Kohima on 29th March 2019.

The inspection of election expenses is done by the Expenditure Observer in every election in accordance with the Commission's instruction laid down under 'Inspection of Accounts'. The 1st round of inspection was done in the presence of Commissioner & RO, M. Patton and ADC (HQ) & ARO, Limanenla.

TRAINING UNDER PMKVY SCHEME AT LONGLENG

One day awareness-cum-registration programme for placement and skills training under PMKVY Scheme in the field of aviation, hospitality and cruise line was held at Auditorium Hall, Phom Lempong on 28th February 2019. It was organized by the District Administration in collaboration with Emporium Skills Training Institutes under Beti Bachao Beti Padhao programme.

Deputy Commissioner, Longleng, John Tsulise Sangtam briefed the issues of unemployed youth and encouraged the youth to unite together to eradicate the problem of unemployment prevalent in Longleng district.

The President, Phomla Hoichem highlighted the problems faced by the young girls and put a strong emphasis on participation in political and formal decision making. She also encouraged the youth to step out from their comfort zones and take up challenges in life.

The President, Phom Students' Conference (PSC) appreciated the Emporium Team for organizing

such programmes and exhorted the youth to be confident and bold enough to stand for their rights. He assured that his organization would render help and support in any activities that can eradicate the problem of unemployment in Longleng.

Centre Director of Emporium Skills Training Institute, Temjenkala Aier highlighted on the activities and achievement of the Institute and presented the importance of skill training on aviation, hospitality, and cruise line as well as the nature of work. She also encouraged the parents to support their children to learn from such skill development trainings and broaden their mindsets.

Managing Director, Anirban Mukhurjee also spoke and exhorted the youth. The main aim of the program is to support young people in recognizing and gaining competence for employability. The programme was attended by Village Council members, church leaders, women organization, students' body and the youth of the district.

VAC Mitelephe conducts culmination programme

The Village Adoption Committee (VAC) of 14th Southern Angami under DPDB, Kohima held its culmination programme on 2nd March 2019 at

Mitelephe, adopted under VAC for the year 2018 to 2019.

During the programme, multiple activities

Members of Village Adoption Committee (VAC) of 14th Southern Angami and village community at the site of the newly installed solar light at Mitelephe village on 2nd March 2019.



were held such as a medical camp, inauguration of installation of solar lights at landmark areas within the village and distribution of blankets to the senior citizens. Awareness programme was also held with inputs from all the VAC members touching upon important issues such as forest and environmental conservation, youth development, sensitization of the village community on sharing of village resources, soil and water management, health and sanitation, community development, school management and strengthening of the local institutions.

During the culmination programme, the Convenor, Er. Vizotuo EE (R & B) South gave a brief background about the concept of VAC under DPDB Kohima. DFO Kohima, Rongsenlemla Imchen highlighted about the various activities

implemented by the VAC and its objectives. SDO (C) Jakhama, Alemyapang Longchar spoke about the responsibilities of the village functionaries for proper management of the village.

According to press release by the VAC, various activities were implemented with the participation of the village community during the last eight months viz. construction of water reservoir for proper tapping of potable water for the village community, reinforcement of approach roads within and outside the village jurisdiction for proper transportation, distribution of sports kits, waste bins, computer sets for schools and PA system for Village Council. The programme was also attended by NSS students of Model Christian College.

KOHIMA DPDB WARD ADOPTION COMMITTEE ORGANISES KENEZOU COLONY SPORTS MEET

The Ward Adoption Committee for 10th Northern Angami-I A/C under the chairmanship of MLA Khriehu Liezietsu organized and sponsored a sports meet for their adopted ward 'Kenezou Colony' at I.G. Stadium, Meriema, Kohima on 2nd March 2019. The programme was organized under the aegis of Kohima District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) activities 2018-2019.

The main idea of organising the sports meet is to create oneness in order to maintain unity among the colony and also to celebrate the successful culmination programme of the adopted ward. During the sports meet, tug of war between women

groups and football match between the colony representatives and the youths were played.

With the objective of lifting the living standard of the rural villages, especially those villages which are economically and educationally behind others, Kohima DPDB in the year 2010 brought out a concept known as Village Adoption Programme. However, under the present scheme, from the concept of selecting the poorest or the most under developed areas, it decided to select one village or ward each year from each of the six Assembly Constituencies under Kohima district by the chosen committee.

AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON RTI

Wokha:

Nagaland Information Commission conducted a one day awareness programme on Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005 with the First Appellate Authorities (FAAs), Public Information Officers (PIOs), Assistant PIOs, Village Councils, Town Committee, Women

Groups, Civil Society organizations, RTI activists on 4th March 2019 at Tiyi Hall, Wokha town.

Chief Information Commissioner, Nagaland, Chanbemo Lotha, while giving a powerpoint presentation, highlighted on RTI and the Constitution, enlightening the gathering on the objectives of

the Act. He highlighted on important topics - what cannot be asked and what information cannot be given; responsibilities of PIOs and APIOs; role of PIOs; uniqueness and specialty of the RTI Act; action to be taken by PIO on application filed by citizens; role of State Information Commission; penalties etc.

Tuensang:

An awareness programme on Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005 was held on 6th March 2019 at Town Hall, Tuensang with resource persons Chief Information Commissioner (CIC), Chanbemo Lotha, State Information Commissioner (SIC), G. H. Ramlia and Secretary, Nagaland Information Commission (NIC), Worhonthung Ezung.

CIC, Chanbemo Lotha briefed on the RTI Act, 2005, which was followed by a powerpoint presentation by Secretary NIC. He explained about RTI and how it enables the citizens to participate, to seek and question the government. He also said that if RTI is applied in a proper manner, it would lead to transparency and accountability. He also briefed on the process of filing an RTI.

Mokokchung:

Awareness programme on Right to Information Act (RTI), 2005 was conducted by the Nagaland Information Commission at MMC Conference Hall, Mokokchung on 5th March 2019.

In the programme, State Chief Information Commissioner, Chanbemo Lotha delivered a powerpoint presentation on RTI Act 2005. The programme was attended by district officials, First

Appellate Authorities (FAAs), Public Information Officers (PIOs) and representatives from NGOs, college students, churches, Village Councils, Mokokchung Municipal Council, women groups, civil society organizations, RTI activists etc. The visiting team led by State Chief Information Commissioner held interactions with the participants.

Mon:

Awareness programme on Right to Information Act, 2005 was held on 8th March 2019 at DC's Conference Hall, Mon.

Chanbemo Lotha, Chief Information Commissioner, Nagaland stated that RTI Act 2005 is to create a practical regime of right to information for citizens to secure transparency and accountability of public authorities. This awareness level being very important in the districts where most of the RTIs are sought in the district, all PIOs and APIOs in the district should have proper knowledge of this Act, he stated.

G. H. Ramlia, State Information Commissioner, Nagaland mentioned that, in a democratic country, RTI Act is a very important tool where all citizens have the right to know the developmental activities in their area. In order to implement RTI Act 2015 effectively, all PIOs and APIOs should provide right information to the citizens, he added.

Secretary, Nagaland Information Commissioner, Worhonthung Ezung in his powerpoint presentation stated that RTI is to make accountability, transparency, empowerment of citizens and contain corruption. He also spoke on misuse and abuse of RTI, penalty and consequences.

DC DIMAPUR DISTRIBUTES BIO-DEGRADABLE BAGS

Deputy Commissioner Dimapur, Kevekha Kevin Zehol distributed bio-degradable bags to NGOs, DMC and administrative officers on 4th March 2019 at the DC's Dimapur Office campus.

The bio-degradable bags were received under the Chief Minister's Corpus Fund as part of the

Plastic Free Nagaland programme. Kevin handed over the Green Solution bags to Dimapur Chamber of Commerce, Business Association of Nagas, East Dimapur Business Association, ADCs of Niuland and Medziphema, CMO Dimapur, DMC and DC's Office Dimapur.

DC Dimapur urged upon the people for judicious use of the environment friendly bags so that the use of plastic bags would be discouraged to certain extent.

DIMAPUR DPDB MEETING

The monthly Dimapur District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held on 5th March 2019 in the Conference Hall of Deputy Commissioner, Dimapur, chaired by DC Dimapur, Kevekha Kevin Zehol who is also the Vice Chairman, DPDB Dimapur.

Reviewing the minutes of the previous DPDB meeting, the Board recommended the proposals which included opening of a new school - Bloom Academy Eralibill Dimapur, Weekly Bazaar Society, Thahekhu village - Block 4 Dimapur, Green Ura Group, Medziphema Town, and Keystone Education Society, Aoyimti Village, Dimapur.

The Board recommended the proposal for registration of society for Great Commission Kids Academy, Naga United Village. Further, the Board members recommended the proposals for opening of new school - Tuyitu Foundation School at Diphupar village and also God Will School at Nihekhu, Dimapur. The Board also decided to forward to the Government with regard to the proposal for creation of new EAC administrative headquarter at Aqahuto, Dimapur.

With the mushrooming of several universities, colleges and schools, DC Dimapur reminded the DEO and SDEO to ensure that quality education is imparted in the educational institutions.

Administrator, DMC, Moa Sangtam while presenting the departmental activities, highlighted on the project "A better Dimapur" initiated by DMC with an objective to bring a cleaner, greener and healthy Dimapur through community participation. He urged upon all the officers under Dimapur district to be a part of the project.

PWD (R&B), Er. Talitemsu highlighted on the status of the two bridges (Nagarjan bridge and the bridge over Chathe river behind Referral hospital) which are under construction at Dimapur.

NOKLAK SDPDB MEETING

The monthly Noklak SDPDB meeting was held at DB's Court, ADC's Office Noklak on 5th March 2019, chaired by Advisor and Chairman SDPDB Noklak, H. Haiying.

The Board reviewed the previous meeting minutes and discussed the proposal submitted by the Nokhu Range Public Organization for creation of Police Station at Nokhu EAC headquarter which was deliberated and approved for recommendation.

Upgradation of Government Middle School to Government High School, New Pangsha as forwarded by the SDEO Noklak was discussed and put forward for consideration.

Permission for Christian School, Nokhu as forwarded by the SDEO, Noklak has been discussed and agreed to be forwarded to the concerned authority for approval.

Establishment of Sub-Treasury Officer Office along with officer and staff posting as proposed by the Advisor and Chairman has been approved for forwarding to the concerned authority for consideration.

Departmental activities were presented by SMO Noklak, Dr. N. C Victor and EE (R&B) Noklak, Er. Hendo. The members were enlightened on the various activities being carried out by the respective departments under the Sub-Division.

The Advisor and Chairman of the Board encouraged the members present to have a good co-ordination amongst the various departments in carrying out the activities of the Government in order to uplift the people of the area. He acknowledged the presence of tribal leaders and the officers for their attendance. He further asked the officers to be regular in station and monitor their respective staff.

Inter-School Essay Writing Competition At Mon

As part of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao campaign, Mon District Administration organised Inter-School Essay Writing competition on 6th March 2019 at DC's

Conference Hall, Mon.

Deputy Commissioner, Mon, Thavaseelan K IAS speaking during the prize distribution stated that, to save the girl child and to educate her, the mindset of the people have to change first. In order to bring changes, we have started the awareness campaign to uplift the girl child, he added.

Apo Y Konyak of Sacred Heart School Mon was the winner of Inter-School Essay Competition. Alih P Konyak of St. Joseph School, Mon and Mary A Konyak of Eastern School Mon took second and third prizes respectively. The winners were awarded with certificates and all participants were also given gifts. Altogether 15 schools from Mon district participated



DC, Mon, Thavaseelan K, IAS giving away prizes to the winners of the Inter-School Essay Writing competition at DC's Conference Hall, Mon on 6th March 2019.

in the competition.

The competition was organised by Mon District Administration under the aegis of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao.

KITHAGHA VILLAGES DECLARED TOBACCO FREE

Tobacco free declaration programme was held at Nsunyu Village Community Hall on 6th March 2019 for Nsunyu, Chunlikha and Likhwenmchu villages.

ADC Tseminyu, Nokchasashi Kichu as special guest of the programme expressed his gratitude to the leaders of the three villages (Nsunyu, Chunlikha and Likhwenchu villages, collectively called Kithagha group) for initiating and bringing themselves into reality as tobacco free villages. ADC also said that Village Councils are the right bodies for taking up such firm decisions having tremendous impact on the entire community, and also challenged the neighbouring villages to follow the same.

District Nodal Officer (NTCP) Kohima, Dr. Arenla Thong delivered a powerpoint presentation on community sensitization as awareness to control using tobacco, during which she challenged the upcoming youth to save themselves from the

influence of using tobacco.

State Nodal Officer (NTCP) and Joint Director, Department of H&FW, Dr. Hotokhu Chishi made the declaration and said that there are four tobacco free villages in Tseminyu Sub-Division and 12 tobacco free villages in the state at the same time.

Pledge taking ceremony in support of Tobacco Free Movement was led by Board Chairman NBC, Asao Seb. VCC Chunlikha shared about the initiative taken by the three Village Councils in Tobacco Free Movement.

Student Police Cadet programme launched at Phek

Student Police Cadet programme under Ministry of Home Affairs, Gol was launched at the Government Higher Secondary School, Phek in the presence of

District Administration and Phek DEF officials.

SDO, James in his keynote address said that this programme aims to provide training to the students to become school level community police officers, and the project will be implemented for a period of two years with focus on students from class 8 to class 9.

BBBP programme-cum-Awareness Campaign at Noklak

Noklak Sub-Division launched the programme of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao-cum-awareness campaign at KTC Hall, Noklak on 7th March 2019 with the theme 'Save a daughter, educate a daughter.'

EAC Noklak, Yithachu Thur highlighted on the various objectives to be undertaken under the programme and President KMH, Newkai Penglang spoke about the various issues faced by women in the society. Women Secretary KBCA, Chongti stated that any society is incomplete without females. DCPO Tuensang, N. S. Khaikho spoke on the importance of empowering women in the society. Students from Christian High School Noklak presented a special song, and a special presentation based on the theme was delivered by St. Paul School Noklak.

SDO (Civil) Noklak, C. Phuniang administered the pledge on Beti Bachao Beti Padhao.

Mokokchung DPDB meeting

The monthly Mokokchung District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held on 7th March 2019 at Dobashi Court, SDO (C) Changtongya under the chairmanship of Advisor, Industries & Commerce and NIDC, Imnatiba. The meeting was also attended by Minister PWD, Tongpang Ozukum.

Imnatiba cited that the main reason for holding DPDB meeting in several towns under Mokokchung district is to connect the Government with the people. He also asserted that in coming days, more MLAs will be attending meeting, and advised all the officers to have prospective ideas during their service.

Tongpang Ozukum mentioned that for the first time, initiative for repairing and maintenance of roads was given to the department and expressed satisfaction over the work done. He cautioned that if any land owner claim percentage from the department, that particular stretch will not be touched and the landowner will be solely responsible.

During the meeting, the Board approved to upgrade Community and Social Welfare Society, Yajang village. The Board also approved repairing and maintenance of Mokokchung Town road which was presented by E.E. PWD (R&B) Mokokchung. For the upgradation of Civil Hospital Mokokchung and

Noklak Sub-Division launched the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao programme-cum-awareness campaign at KTC Hall, Noklak on 7th March 2019.



DC's Office complex which is underway, the Board requested to execute the works at the earliest. Some of the new agenda taken up were printing Child Help Line logo and painting of all the offices under Mokokchung district.

Mini Marathon held at Wokha

Mini Marathon to mark the celebration of International Women's Day was held on 8th March 2019 at Wokha. The event was organized by District Administration in collaboration with Social Welfare Department, Wokha under Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP), SVEEP campaign and Poshan Abhiyan.

The race was flagged off by Deputy Commissioner Wokha, Dr. Manazir Jeelani Samoon, IAS at Local Ground Wokha. The mini-marathon was held under male and female categories, with around 600 students from different schools taking part in the race.

The DC, while addressing the students on the significance of International Women's Day, said as students, whatever principle and basics they gain during this 'formation' age will always remain with them throughout their life and urged them not to discriminate girls but to show respect. There has to be gender balance and gender equality in all spheres of life, he added.

Under female category, Yilobeni, Wonchibeni, Senchano, Nzanhorni and Thechano, all from DBHSS were adjudged the winners. In the male category, Amos (SMBS), Nchumbemo (DBHSS), Chumbemo (DBHSS), Chonben (Mt. Tiyi College) and Yanpothung (Mt. Tiyi College) secured the first, second, third, fourth and fifth places respectively. Certificates and cash awards were given to the winners. VVPAT demonstration was also carried out at the flagging off venue.

LONGLENG DPDB MEETING

The monthly Longleng District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner, John Tsulise Sangtam on 8th March 2019 at DC's Conference Hall.

Addressing the Board, the DC stressed on the attendance of members in the important meetings and programmes of the district and reiterated the Heads of Offices and officers to be in station and cater to the needs of the people. He also informed on Lok Sabha election, requisition of Government

vehicles and the presence of government officers for smooth conduct of the ensuing election in the district.

After reviewing the previous meeting minutes and deliberation, the Board recommended the following agenda to their respective departments - Establishment of Shetap Police Post/Gate at Assam and Nagaland Border; Registration of Lamhong Khung Society of Hukphang village; Construction of Bypass Road from Nyengching GHS to Sub-Jail via Hukphang Junction under Longleng town.

BBBP PROGRAMME AT PANSO

Beti Bachao Beti Padhao awareness programme was held at Panso on 8th March 2019 at Panso Town Baptist Church.

Longkoi of KMH exhorted the gathering on the importance of giving equal privilege to a girl

child in terms of education, and Senior Supervisor, Noklak, Hempting highlighted on the various schemes undertaken by the department.

C. Phuniang, SDO(C) Noklak challenged the gathering on why the girl child cannot be given an



ADC, Noklak, Neilezo Tep speaking on the occasion of the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao awareness programme held at Panso Town Baptist Church on 8th March 2019.

equal opportunity to uplift themselves and become empowered. He also suggested that women should be given opportunities to lead in various walks of life. ADC Noklak, Neilezo Tep further stressed on the importance of the girl child and expressed his concerns on the various issues that a girl child faces.

Teachers and students from GHS Panso and Baptist School Panso enthralled the gathering with their special presentations. The programme saw the participation of people from various walks of life from all the villages around Panso town.

DISASTER MANAGEMENT TRAINING HELD AT DISTRICT JAIL TUENSANG

Disaster Management training was held under the aegis of the Home Guards & Civil Defence, Tuensang on 8th March 2019 for the inmates of the District Jail, Tuensang graced by the District Commandant, Home Guards & Civil Defence Tuensang, Ngongvai. E. Phom.

Gracing the occasion, Phom explained the difference between Home Guards and Civil Defence

and added that such awareness programme is being held for the first time in the District Jails. He stated that many types of disaster occurs - natural and man-made, and when disasters strike, we need emergency preparedness exercise to save lives. While carrying out the mock drill, the Civil Defence personnel demonstrated an emergency method of rescue, triangle and rolled bandages.

District Commandant, Home Guards & Civil Defence, Tuensang, Ngongvai. E. Phom with the jail inmates and staff during the Disaster Management training held at District Jail, Tuensang on 8th March 2019.



POSHAN (NUTRITION) RALLY AT MOKOKCHUNG

Marking the 1st anniversary of the Poshan Abhiyan (Nutrition Mission), Poshan Pakhwada (Nutrition Fortnight) is being celebrated throughout the country. As part of the celebration of Poshan Pakhwada, a Poshan rally was held at Mokokchung on 8th March 2019.

The aim of the rally is to spread the message of proper nutrition, especially for women and children and also a step to generate awareness among the

masses about the importance of nutrition.

In a brief programme held at Imlong Place, CDPO Kobulong, Imliyanger gave a brief note on the objective of the rally, which was followed by flagging off of the rally by EAC Mokokchung, Limakumla Pongener. The rally started from Main Police Point to Imkongmeren Sports Complex, with 50 Anganwadi workers and officers taking part.

DISTRICT YOUTH CONVENTION HELD

Nehru Yuva Kendra (NYK), Wokha organized the District Youth Convention-cum- International Women's Day 2019 on 8th March 2019 at Tiya Hall, Wokha, with EAC, Toking Yimchunger as the special guest.

The programme was attended by around 115 participants from various Youth Clubs and organizations. NYK distributed sports materials to all the representatives of the Youth Clubs, organizations and the schools.

The special guest encouraged the participants to take up new entrepreneurship skills and to be promoters of job and not job seekers. He also highlighted on various new schemes of the Government of India.



EAC, Toking Yimchunger handing over sports material to a youth club during the District Youth Convention-cum-International Women's Day 2019 at Tiya Hall, Wokha on 8th March 2019.

EVM/VVPAT Awareness Programme held at Zunheboto

In view of the Parliamentary election in Nagaland, the Deputy Commissioner's Office Zunheboto and Election Office Zunheboto conducted an awareness programme from 6th to 8th March 2018.

Mobile Vans with EVMs/VVPAT and fitted with Public Address System visited different schools,

colleges and various areas of Zunheboto district. The team included trained officials, duty election branch, DPRO staff and security personnel for displaying the functions of EVMs/VVPAT to the public. The Mobile Van carried various types of SVEEP materials on EVMs/VVPAT as well and information on ethical voting.

3rd INTER-DEPARTMENT FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT HELD AT CHANGTONGYA

The opening function programme of the 3rd Inter-Department Football Tournament 2019 under Changtongya Sub-Division was held on 8th March 2019 at the Local Ground.

The programme was chaired by Nungsangnenla

G/T GHS CTN-B. Invocation was pronounced by T. Aliba Imchen, Associate Pastor, Changtongya Town Baptist Church followed by the welcome address by Moakumzuk Tzudir, SDO (C) Changtongya, who was also Convener of the organizing committee.

PHEK DPDB MEETING

The monthly meeting of Phek District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) was held at DPDB's Conference Hall on 11th March 2019.

DC Phek and Vice Chairman DPDB, Sachin Jaiswal, IAS reviewing the previous meeting minutes, called upon the members to be serious in their works

and to give his/her best effort while discharging duties. He also called upon all Heads of Offices and staff of various departments to be sincere in their works. Presentation on upgradation of SDO, PWD (R&B) Meluri was delivered by EE PWD (R&B) Abija Khing.

WOKHA DPDB MEETING

The monthly Wokha District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held on 11th March 2019 at DC's Conference Hall, Wokha. The meeting was chaired by Vice Chairman and Deputy Commissioner, Wokha, Dr. Manazir Jeelani Samoon, IAS.

During the meeting, the Board approved the registration of Tsoori Old Land Owners Union, Fishery Pond Farmers Society and construction of Lotha Middle Range Students Union Office building at Sanis town for recommendation.

Department of Health & Family Welfare felicitated various departments and individuals for their support extended during the Measles Rubella Vaccination Campaign.

The DC also requested departments, which have not submitted the list of employees and vehicles attached to the officers, to submit the same at the earliest.

SDO(C) reminded all departments who have not given names of enforcement officer under National

Tobacco Control Board to submit at the earliest.

EVM and WVPAT demonstration was also carried out during the meeting.

Inter-School Speech Competition at Mon

Inter-School Speech Competition on the topic 'Importance of girl child in the society' was held on 11th March 2019 at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Mon. The competition was organised by District Administration, Mon under the aegis of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP).

Imliwapang Aier, EAC and Nodal Officer BBBP Mon said that the Mon District Administration has set the second Monday of every month as Girl Child Day in the district.

Shongmet M Konyak of Sacred Heart School, Mon was the winner of the competition where Yingkhao of St. John Higher Secondary School, Mon and Ngunlen C Konyak of Police Unit School, Mon got second and third prizes respectively.

DC Mon, Thavaseelan K, IAS handed over the prizes to the winners. Assistant Commissioner Mon,

Dharam Raj, IAS and Vitokha Yepthomi, EAC Mon Hq were the judges of the competition.

PEREN DPDB MEETING

The monthly Peren District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held on 11th March 2019 at DC's Conference Hall, New District Headquarter Peren.

Pulse Polio Immunization was launched on 10th March 2019 in all four blocks. Powerpoint presentations were delivered by Kekhriesilie Suohu, DSCO (Soil & Water Conservation Department) and SDO PHE Tening, Volie Renta where the functioning of their respective departments were highlighted.

DC Peren has informed the DPDB members to submit in written as and when Heads of Offices are unable present powerpoint presentations during monthly DPDB meetings. DC Peren asked



DC, Peren, Sarita Yadav, IAS addressing the DPDB meeting held at DC's Conference Hall, New District Headquarter, Peren on 11th March 2019.

PHED Peren to submit detailed status of pipes supplied to Jalukie, Peren, Tening, Anthibung and Nsong at an early date.

TUENSANG DPDB MEETING REITERATES OFFICERS TO BE IN STATION

The monthly Tuensang District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner (DC) and Vice Chairman DPDB Tuensang, Mohammad Ali, IAS at DC's Conference Hall on 11th March 2019.

The DC sought full cooperation and assistance for conducting free and fair elections and asked the officers of all the departments to be in station during elections.

The Board after lengthy discussions,

recommended the following agenda for approval by the Government - Shifting of dumping places; Registration of Radical Society at Noklak village and Mother's Welfare Society Tuensang HQ.

The Board also deliberated on Aspirational Block Chessore which was put up by Advisor and also Chairman of the DPDB Tuensang, Toshi Wungtung. In this regard, the Board decided to give more time for verification and to be taken up in the next DPDB meeting.

DC Wokha holds press briefing with media persons

Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer (DEO), Wokha, Dr. Manazir Jeelani Samoon, IAS conducted first press briefing at the DEO level with the media persons based at Wokha. The briefing was attended by correspondents from All India Radio, Nagaland Post and DPRO Wokha.

Calling for support, the DC said all relevant information will be disseminated to the general public through them and urged them to extend cooperation. Giving statistics about Wokha district, he informed that Wokha has 100624 (one lakh six hundred twenty four) voters, 208 polling stations. He also informed

that electors who have been issued EPIC have to produce the card for identification and those who are unable to produce the EPIC shall produce any of the following alternative documents like Passport, Driving License, Service ID Card with photograph issued to employees, Passbooks with photograph

issued by Bank/Post office, PAN Card, Smart Card issued by RGI under NPR, MNREGA Job Card, Health Insurance Card issued by Ministry of Labour, Pension documents with passport, Office ID Card issued to MPs/MLAs/MLCs and Aadhaar Card.

DC Kohima holds meeting with political parties

The Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer (DEO) Kohima, Anoop Khinchi IAS held a meeting with all the representatives of political parties in his office chamber on 12th March 2019.

During the meeting, the DC and DEO briefed on the Model Code of Conduct (MCC), which has to be followed by the candidates and political parties. He said that the basic purpose of MCC is to create a level playing field where no parties should have an advantage or disadvantage because of any muscle, money power or position and further urged them to go through the guidelines given by the Election Commission of India (ECI).

He also highlighted on procedures to be followed during the conduct of rallies, specifically not

to carry any weapons by the people in order to avoid any untoward incident and asked all the political parties to take care during such rallies. He further stressed on the defacement of public building by the candidates or political parties which has to be adhered to as per the ECI guidelines.

Pointing out that expenditure account is very important, the meeting deliberated on the rate chart for Kohima district for Election Expenditure Monitoring and decided to approve for the election expenditure account. He also informed on the ECI discouraging the use of plastic materials and urged them not to use any plastic materials and opt for some environmental friendly materials which will be helpful for all the parties and candidates.

Workshop for political parties and civil societies at Mon

DC and DEO Mon, Thavaseelan K, IAS organised orientation meeting and workshop for political parties and civil societies on Model Code of Conduct (MCC), Election Expenditure Monitoring (EEM), Information Technology application and overview of electoral process on 13th March 2019 at DC's Conference Hall Mon. Chairing the meeting, Thavaseelan also demonstrated C. Vigil, VVPAT and EVM.

ADC Mon HQ, Hiazu Meru briefed on EEM,

MCC, MCMC and Information Technology. SDO (C), Phomching and Nodal Officer EEM Mon, James T. Khulu Tikhir spoke on C. Vigil and EEM by the candidates.

The meeting was organised for all the political parties and civil societies under Mon district to disseminate information and to create awareness on the various electoral process and use of IT application for the Lok Sabha Election 2019.

Media acts as the eyes and ears to citizens: DC Dimapur

Deputy Commissioner Dimapur, Kevekha Kevin Zehol also the District Election Officer (DEO) Dimapur met with the press fraternity of Dimapur in the DC's

Conference Hall Dimapur, on 13th March 2019.

Acknowledging the media as the eyes and ears to citizens, Kevin sought the cooperation of the media

during the Lok Sabha polls 2019, stating that only through the media, information is disseminated to a wider audience.

Highlighting on the poll preparedness, Kevin informed that Dimapur district has been working in full swing for the Lok Sabha polls 2019 even before the announcement of election date. He informed that Dimapur has 335 polling stations with 46 identified as critical and 49 as vulnerable, and 204448 (two lakh four thousand four hundred and forty eight) number

of voters. 36 Sector Officers and 14 Nodal Officers have been appointed to take charge of various teams and monitor the election process, Kevin informed.

Media persons representing Nagaland Post, Morung express, Eastern Mirror, Nagaland Today, Nagaland Page, Telegraph, electronic news media representatives from DDK and ANI and representatives from local cable channels, Global Chapter and City Cable were present in the meeting.

Tseminyu SDPDB meeting advocates clean town

The Tseminyu monthly meeting of SDPDB was held at DB's Court Tseminyu on 13th March 2019 under the chairmanship of ADC Tseminyu, Nokchasashi.

The meeting decided to defer the upcoming inter-departmental sports meet to October/

November 2019. Other agenda discussed included registration of Keso Society, Phentejon Tseminyu and deliberations on keeping the town clean starting from department office areas and town wards and an award to be given to the best ward.

DC Dimapur flags off Poshan Pakhwada Cycle Rally

Deputy Commissioner Dimapur, Kevekha Kevin Zehol flagged off the Poshan Pakhwada (National Nutrition Mission) cycle rally on 14th March 2019 from City Tower junction, Dimapur, where around 70 participants took part in the rally supporting the cause.

Highlighting on the mission, CDPO Robert said Rashtriya Poshan Abhiyan (National Nutrition

Mission) is a flagship programme launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi for curbing undernutrition to each and every household by 2022. The mission aims to reduce level of undernutrition and other related problems by ensuring convergence of various nutrition related schemes, he informed.

The programme was organised under the aegis of Social Welfare Department Dimapur.

Rice and Sugar Distribution Programme held at Kenezou Colony Kohima

With the objective of lifting the living standard of the rural villages, especially those villages which are economically and educationally behind others, the Ward Adoption Committee for Kenezou colony under the 10th Northern Angami-I A/C organised rice and sugar distribution programme for the least privileged section of the ward with the theme 'We Care' at Kenezou Colony, Kohima on 15th March 2019.

The programme was organised and sponsored under the chairmanship of 10th Northern Angami-I A/C MLA, Khriehu Liezietsu keeping in line with the Kohima DPDB yearlong activities.

During the programme, a short meeting with the colony elders and the identified beneficiaries was held where the identified beneficiaries including the oldest members in the colony along with the



Members of the Ward Adoption Committee with beneficiaries during the rice and sugar distribution programme for the least privileged section of the ward at Kenezou Colony, Kohima on 15th March 2019.

physically challenged members and the widows of the Kenezou Colony were provided with rice and sugar.

The Convenor of the Ward Adoption Committee, Shaying Sheu informed that the main idea of organising such programmes is to identify the poorest of the poor members in the colony and to make them feel at par with the rest of the colony members and also to spread the message that 'We do care for them.'

Tobu declared as Aspiration Block of Mon District

Tobu was declared as Aspiration Block of Mon district during the Mon monthly District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) meeting held on 15th March 2019 at DC's Conference Hall, Mon.

The Board recommended creation of Health Care Centre at newly recognized L. Mongnyu village. General Secretary, Konyak Union highlighted on

Aoleang festival where various events like cultural exhibition, pulling of log drum, folk dance and songs etc. will take place.

Chief Medical Officer Mon, Dr. Kechongol Sophie expressed his gratitude for the successful conduct of polio immunization on 10th March 2019.

Workshop and Skill Training of SHGs at Wokha

District Urban Development Agency (DUDA), Wokha in collaboration with Resource Organization organized a one day workshop and skill training for

the SHGs on 16th March 2019 at WDVCCA & VDBSA Multipurpose building, Wokha.

AUDO and Member Secretary, DUDA, National

District Urban Development Agency (DUDA), Wokha in collaboration with Resource Organization organized a one day workshop and skill training for the SHGs 2019 at WDVCCA & VDBSA Multipurpose building, Wokha on 16th March 2019.



Urban Livelihood Mission (NULM), Kihohli Kinimi while giving a brief highlight on NULM, said it is a flagship programme of the Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation (MoHUPA). She stated that the mission is focused on reducing poverty and vulnerability of the urban poor households, enabling them to access gainful employment and skill wage employment opportunities, address livelihood concerns of urban street vendors.

Bank Manager, Nagaland Rural Bank, Wokha, Neibounuo Suokhrie dwelling on SHGs and bank linkages, said every SHG should have a bank account

so that the group can avail loans, schemes and other beneficial programmes of the government. She also encouraged them to build up good relations with the banks by way of repaying loan on regular basis and maintaining saving habits. To generate more income, one has to increase their activities and urged the SHGs to do the same to make the organization more dependent and self-reliant.

In the second session, participants were trained on basket making, beads making ornaments, CD/envelope and shopping bags. The training focused on the theme 'Say no to plastic - Swachh Wokha.'

Training on Disaster Management at Wokha

Department of Home Guard & Civil Defence conducted one day awareness-cum-training on disaster management at CMHS School, Wokha on 16th March 2019.

The training programme aimed at imparting basic skills on safe evacuation from classrooms in

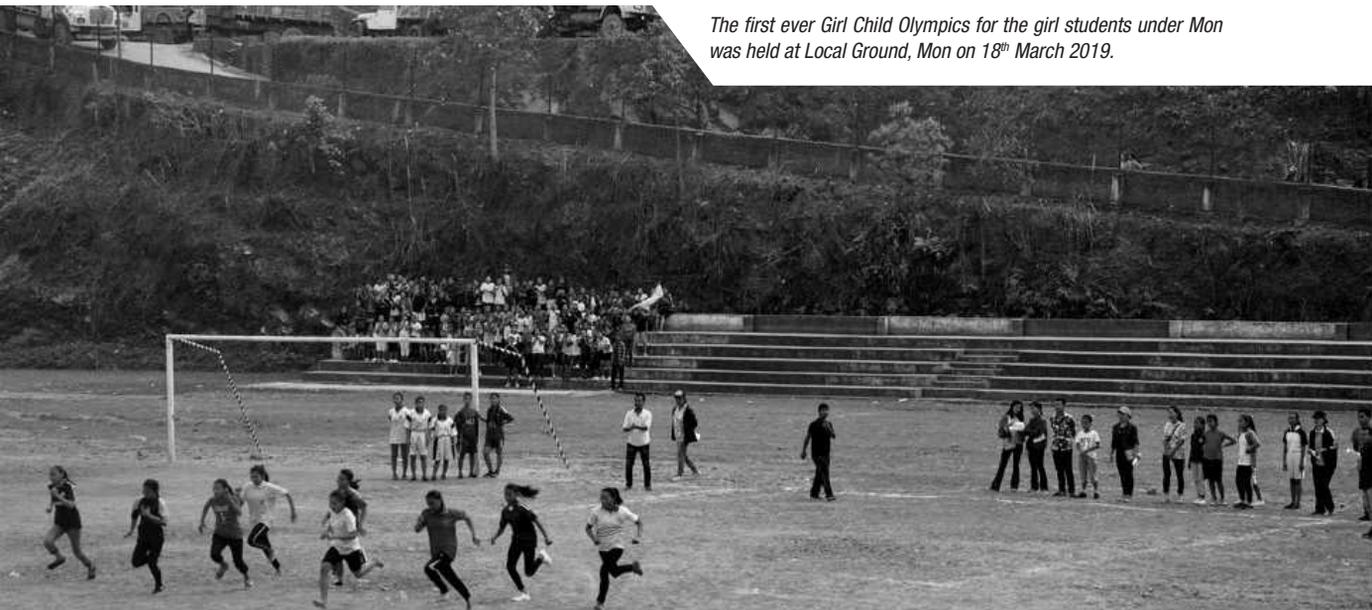
case of earthquakes, and also to impart basic life saving skills to the students and teaching and non-teaching faculty. The students were trained on CPR, first aid, emergency method of rescue, rope and knotting.

GIRL CHILD OLYMPICS HELD AT MON

The first ever Girl Child Olympics for the girl students under Mon was held on 18th March 2019 at Local Ground, Mon.

'Sport is the medium to bring about gender equality in our society,' said EAC and Nodal Officer, BBBP Mon, Imliwapang Aier, during the

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prize distribution programme. He thanked all the participating schools, specially girl students and school nodal officers for the successful Olympic event and further hoped that such events will be held in the future to encourage the girl child.

The Girl Child Olympics was organised by Mon District Administration to motivate and encourage the girl child in the district under the aegis of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) where all schools of Mon town participated.

Imliwapang Aier gave away the certificates and prizes to the winners. Model High School, Mon emerged as winner in Tug of War competition and St. John School stood second. Other events were 100 meter sprint, 200 meter sprint, 400 meter sprint, 4x100 meter relay race, shot put, high jump, long jump, sack race and balloon bursting.

Skit on PMMVY-Maternity benefit Scheme held at Tseminyu

A skit on Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana Scheme (PMMVY) - Maternity Benefit Scheme under Poshan Pakhwada was held at Tseminyu village on 18th March 2019. The programme was organised by the Tseminyu ICDS Project, Department of Social Welfare.

The skit depicted a pregnant woman and lactating mother coming to Anganwadi Centre where they are briefed about the PMMVY scheme by the Anganwadi workers.

The PMMVY is a maternity benefit programme that is implemented in all the districts of the country in accordance with the provision of the National Food Security Act, 2013. The benefits of the scheme is to provide partial compensation for the wage loss in terms of cash incentive of Rs. 5000/- in three instalments - first installment of Rs. 1000 on early registration of pregnancy at Anganwadi Centre (AWC)/ approved Health Facility, as may be identified by the respective administering state; second installment of Rs. 2000 after six months of pregnancy on receiving

at least one Ante-Natal Checkup (ANC) and the third installment of Rs. 2000 after child birth is registered and the child has received the first cycle of BCG, OPV, DPT and Hepatitis-B or its equipment/substitute.

The scheme targets all Pregnant Woman and Lactating Mother (PW&LM) excluding PW&LM who are in regular employment with the Central or State Government or PSUS or those who are in receipt of similar benefits under any law for the time being in force.

To avail the benefits, eligible women has to register under the scheme at the Anganwadi Centre (AWC) approved Health Facility Centre.

EVM-VVPAT demonstration /awareness at Tuensang

Under the supervision of Moasunep, EAC Headquarter, Tuensang, EVM-VVPAT demonstration/ awareness was held at Sao Chang College, Tuensang on 19th March 2019 along with master trainers, Dr. Santosh and Depak Nath.

Altogether 130-160 students attended from various departments. EVM-VVPAT trainings were all scheduled in different locations and institutions for the following week. Video Conferencing meeting with CEO Office attended by District Administration and Election Office official was also conducted.

Awareness programme for PwDs under SVEEP Campaign held at Dimapur

Awareness programme for PwDs under SVEEP campaign was held at DC's Conference Hall, Dimapur on 20th March 2019 with Disability Commissioner, Nagaland, Diethono Nakhro as special guest.

Delivering her address, Nakhro said that disability community is rarely on the radar during the election and even at other times. The right to vote is a fundamental human rights, but for too long, voters with disabilities have been ignored and marginalized. Awareness and understanding of disability rights and

issues in general has been and is still quite poor in our society. The disability community still faces many challenges in terms of misconceptions and negative attitude about disability, she added.

She requested the families, caregivers, NGOs and well-wishers to encourage and help voters with disability to come out and cast their votes. 'We are greatly in need of advocate and people who care,' she said. She also stated that in recent years, the Election Commission of India, to include person with disabilities in the electoral process, adopted the slogan "No voter to be left behind."

In the programme, pledge cards were distributed and EVM/VVPAT Demonstration was displayed.

Workshop on cultivation of Oyster Mushroom at Phek

A one day workshop on cultivation of Oyster Mushroom for drop-outs and unschooled adolescent girls was held at Phek Government College, which was organized by District Administration in collaboration with Phek Government College on 20th March 2019 under the banner Beti Bachao Beti Padhao.

T. Lemlila Sangtam, SDO(C) Headquarter Phek spoke on skill development, while Dr. Neilhousano Nakro, Assistant Professor, Botany, Phek Government College dwelled on the importance of mushroom cultivation. A hands-on demonstration was given by Shesalu Lohe, Assistant Professor, Botany, Phek Government College.

Drop-outs and unschooled adolescent Girls, Colony Chairman and officials from Phek Government College attended the programme.

Training on Disaster Management at Zunheboto

One day training on Disaster Management programme was held on 20th March 2019 at Step by Step School, Zunheboto, led by Y. Khenito Chishi, District Commandant, Home Guards & Civil Defence, Zunheboto.

The personnel demonstrated first aid, CPR, emergency method of rescue and mock drill. The programme was organised by the Home Guards & Civil Defence, Zunheboto.

Tobu SDPDB meeting deliberates on shortages faced

The Tobu SDPDB meeting was held on 20th March 2019 under the chairmanship of Additional Deputy Commissioner, Tobu. The meeting deliberated on poor supply of water and power, immediate posting of EAC Mopong and poor attendances of government employees. EVM operation was also demonstrated at the meeting.

Launching of Td (Adult) Vaccine at Mon

In line with the directives of the Union Health Ministry, Government of Nagaland introduced Tetanus and adult Diphtheria (Td) vaccine replacing Tetanus Toxoid (TT), stated Dr. Ritu Thurr, SIO, Health & Family Welfare, during the launching programme of Td (Adult) vaccine and distribution of Certificate of Appreciation (MRVC) on 21st March 2019 at Conference Hall, CMO Office, Mon.

Dr. Ritu also informed that in order to roll out Td vaccine in the state and district, workshops will be organized to disseminate information regarding replacement of TT with Td vaccine, where block level training will also be organized to create awareness among ANMs, ASHA and other health workers, so that they may disseminate the same to the general mass.

Deputy Commissioner, Mon, Thavaseelan K, IAS congratulated the Measles-Rubella Vaccination Campaign team for cent percent achievement of vaccination in the district. Keeping in mind the vast area and huge population of Mon district, he urged all stakeholders to keep on monitoring and work together for the success of Td vaccine campaign and further stated that communication is the key

bridge in building trust with the rural populace. He also handed over the Certificate of Appreciation of Measles-Rubella Vaccination Campaign to the stakeholder departments under Mon.

According to the Union Health Ministry, as per the lab supported vaccine preventable diseases surveillance data in India, majority of the cases of diphtheria are occurring in age group of 5 years and above (77% and 69% in 2017 and 2018 respectively) mostly in unvaccinated (2/3rd) population. In 2016, diphtheria outbreak in Kerela, nearly 79% cases occurred in >10 years age group. Since 1999, there has been more than 80% reduction in tetanus mortality, however diphtheria outbreaks are increasing which reflect gap in diphtheria protection.

The Ministry further states that it is now well established that immunity to diphtheria subsides following the primary series of DTP infant immunization and that booster doses of diphtheria toxoid containing vaccines are needed for continued protection.

Anti-Tobacco Squad carries enforcement drive at NHAK

An enforcement drive at shops selling tobacco products inside Naga Hospital Authority Kohima (NHAK) campus was carried out on 22nd March 2019 with Anti-tobacco Squad which include AMK, KMC, police personnel and officials from District Tobacco Control Cell (DTCC), Kohima.

During the drive, 16 shop owners were penalised for violating the prohibition orders of the sale of tobacco products within the hospital campus. The NHAK was declared Tobacco Free Hospital on 27th September 2018, where the shop owners were made aware of the prohibition order during the inspection drive by the concerned officials last year.

The seized products (both smokeless and smoking form of tobacco) were destroyed in the presence of Managing Director NHAK, Dr. Thorhusie Katiry within the NHAK campus on the same day.

The enforcement drive was carried out as per the decision taken during the District Level Coordination Committee (DLCC) meeting of DTCC under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner and Chairman DLCC, Kohima, Anoop Khinchi, IAS which was notified on 11th March 2019.

Poshan Pakhwada celebrated at Mhainamtsi, Jalukie

As part of the celebration of Poshan Pakhwada, a Panchayat meeting was held at Mhainamtsi village, Peren on 22nd March 2019. The programme was organized by the Social Welfare Office, Peren.

CDPO, Nsong, Watila who chaired the programme, said that the Rashtriya Poshan Abhiyaan (National Nutrition Mission) is a flagship programme launched by the Prime Minister to curb undernutrition in each and every household by 2022, with an aim to reduce the level of undernutrition and other related problems by ensuring convergence of various schemes.

BDO, Peren, Itesing spoke on 'Panchayat and its role,' saying that Village Council plays an important role in making the scheme a success. District Coordinator, Keyizieteing briefed on PMMVY. The programme was attended by Village Council members, Anganwadi workers and officials from the department.

Meeting on Lokayukta held at Dimapur

Justice Uma Nath Singh, Lokayukta, Nagaland held a meeting on 22nd March 2019 in Circuit House, Dimapur with Deputy Commissioner, Dimapur, Kevekha Kevin Zehol, and Deputy Commissioner of Police, Zone-I, Dimapur, Dr. Naieem Mustafa, IPS (who represented Commissioner of Police, Dimapur). Mayang Lima, former State Vigilance Commissioner and Upa Lokayukta (designate) also participated in the meeting as special invitee.

During the meeting, the Lokayukta impressed upon the officers on the need for conducting Lokayukta awareness programmes so as to educate the people about the Nagaland Lokayukta Act, and also the functioning of the organisation.

District level conclave at Kiphire Aspirational District

District Level conclave at Kiphire, Aspirational District was organised by Nagaland Industrial Development Cooperation Limited in collaboration with Industries & Commerce Department, Government of Nagaland under National SC-ST Hub Schemes of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Government of India on 23rd March 2019 at Hopongkyu Memorial Hall with Commissioner & Secretary, Industries & Commerce, Lithrongla G. Chishi, IAS as the special guest.

Lithrongla appealed to all the entrepreneurs to change their mindset and work hard with dignity and commitment for the development and effective beneficial relationship between the government and the target group. She also encouraged the entrepreneurs to make valuable products from the things that they get from their resources. Lamenting that in Kiphire, there are not many micro, small and medium enterprises and all the things have to be imported only from other districts, she requested all the target groups to be more sincere and curious in developing better products in days to come as there are more schemes related to the development of SC-ST Entrepreneurship existing under various ministries and organisation in the Union Government.

DC Kiphire, M. Shayung Phom, encouraged all the entrepreneurs to be more enthusiastic in bringing up innovative ideas for the growth and development of Kiphire district. Director MSME-DI Imphal and Dimapur, Tali Longchar shared about the Conclave Overview.

Wokha DDMA give immediate relief

Chairman, Wokha District Disaster Management Authority and Deputy Commissioner, Wokha, Dr. Manazir Jeelani Samoon, on 25th March 2019 personally handed over cash as immediate relief fund to the affected farmers of Longtsung village whose agriculture crops, rubber plantations, fisheries, water pipeline, rubber processing machines were destroyed by wild elephants on 7th March 2019 at Longtsung village.

Altogether 35 beneficiaries were given cash incentives which was personally handed over by the DC at a small function held at Longtsung Community Hall under Wokha, Sanis ADC Headquarters of Wokha district.

DC while handing over the cash to the affected beneficiaries, stated that he has been in touch with various agencies and Department of Environment, Forests & Climate Change as to how the menace of elephants can be solved, he also added that due to increase in elephants menace cases, he is keeping in constant touch with concerned authorities so that some alternative remedial measures can be taken up to solve this problem faced by the villagers.

Stating villagers are the first responders in times of any eventualities, the DC urged the villagers to inform the concerned area Administrative Officers so that timely action and help can be initiated. He also added Government cannot give 100% recovery of the damages caused during such events but will try to assist the affected persons in whatever possible way by providing immediate relief, and requested them to apply for assistance through proper forms and formats that are provided through the Government so that eligible persons can be given immediate relief.

Chairman, Longtsung Village Council on behalf of the villagers and the people of the area, expressed gratitude to the Deputy Commissioner for personally coming to the village and taking note of the grievances and personally handing over the cash to the affected farmers.

DC WOKHA LAUNCHES SIGNATURE CAMPAIGN

As part of Systematic Educational and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) campaign, the District Administration, Wokha in association with Team Metamorphosis launched the campaign on clean election.

District Election Officer and Deputy Commissioner, Wokha, Dr. Manazir Jeelani Samoon on 25th March 2019 launched the signature campaign at Police Point Wokha involving the public and student community.

Addressing the launching programme, the DC said that SVEEP campaign is one such event where public especially students show their support as participants in democracy. As students, they have a bigger role and responsibility by way of educating their parents, friends and relatives about ethical voting for a brighter future, stated the DC. He also appealed to the participants to disseminate and educate the voters in choosing the right leader who can raise issues concerning the district and state.

ZUNHEBOTO DPDB MEETING



DC, Zunheboto, Shanavas C, IAS demonstrating non-woven recycled bags to the Board members during the DPDB meeting held at DC's Office, Zunheboto on 25th March 2019.

The monthly meeting of Zunheboto District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) was held on 25th March 2018 at the newly renovated Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Zunheboto.

CMO, Zunheboto, W. C. Tungoe gave a briefing on the proposal seeking financial assistance for construction of Sub-Centre at Pughoboto which can be taken up only in the next financial year.

Non-woven recycled bags initiated by the Zunheboto District Administration, car stickers for election were distributed to the Board members.

A hands-on training on EVM and VVPAT was given by Assistant Election Officer Zunheboto, Nathan Konyak.

KOHIMA DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION ADVOCATES PLASTIC FREE LIFESTYLE

A year after being tagged as the second most unlivable city in India, Kohima is ready to not just make amends but become one of the model capital cities of India and lead the global fight against Plastic Pollution. The transformation of Kohima has begun with the launch of the Smart City Project and soon, Kohima will be a smart city occupied by smart people.

In what can be described as a momentous occasion in the fight against plastic pollution, the

citizens of Kohima represented by various NGOs, CSOs and public leaders along with the State Government and District Administration decided to put a total ban on single use plastic products in the State Capital in a joint meeting held on 26th March 2019 at AMK Conference Hall, Kohima.

Abhishek Singh IAS, Principal Secretary and Chairman, State Empowered Committee on Plastic Waste Management in Nagaland, brought to light

the menace of plastics and the destruction it causes to our environment. He said that problem of plastic waste has been a pressing concern for all and the most important aspect towards creating a plastic free environment is by ensuring that the community as a whole realizes the need to safeguard the environment not just for the present generation but also for generations to come. He further stressed on the importance of the participation of the citizens for the project to be successful.

Several important topics relating to implementation of the plastic ban were discussed during the joint meeting, wherein priority was given to educating and sensitizing the general public on

the damages that plastics cause to the environment. Representatives from the business community also shed light on the more practical aspects of the ban and feasibility of the project. The gathering also discussed the ban of plastics as an opportunity for upcoming local entrepreneurs who can supply with alternative bio-degradable replacements for the banned single use plastic products.

The meeting concluded with the house jointly deciding to enforce a total ban on all single use plastic products and to educate and sensitize the general public towards a plastic free Kohima, a smart city with smart people living a plastic free lifestyle.

DISTRICT ORIENTATION/MICRO PLANNING WORKSHOP FOR VILLAGE HEALTH AND NUTRITION DAY

District orientation/micro-planning workshop for Village Health and Nutrition Day sponsored by UNICEF was held at District Hospital Conference Hall, Kiphire on 26th March 2019.

Deputy Commissioner, Kiphire, M. Shayung Phom mentioned that without good health, one cannot do anything, and encouraged all the people to take health as the foremost priority in their lives. He

mentioned that Kiphire people are fortunate to have a new District Hospital inaugurated recently and asked the public to take it as a privilege for better development, especially in health sector.

Resource persons in the workshop were Dr. Malik Shah, Health Officer UNICEF, Dr. Rakesh Singh, Regional Consultant for Routine Immunization UNICEF and Dr. Longri, State Consultant UNICEF.

KOHIMA DISTRICT THEME SONG LAUNCHED

Kohima district theme song for clean election entitled 'Be the one' was launched on 27th March 2019 by ADC Headquarter and Nodal Officer for SVEEP, Kohima, Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa at ADC's Office Chamber, Kohima.

The district theme song was composed by Dr.

Hovithal Sothu, Project Director, Music Task Force, music by Lozinü of Penta School of Music, Kohima and sung by Lüdinü and Vizünü. The song entitled "Be the one" conveys the message to the public to think and act with a conscious heart and a free mind at the time of election and to choose the right leader.

STEERING COMMITTEE FOR PROJECT SPC HOLDS MEETING AT TUENSANG

The Steering Committee headed by Deputy Commissioner, Tuensang, Mohammad Ali Shihab for Project SPC (Student Police Cadet) was held at DC's Chamber, Tuensang on 27th March 2019. The

Steering Committee includes SP Tuensang and DEO Education, Tuensang and has targeted two schools, namely Thangjam Government Higher Secondary School and 3rd NAP High School, and has set up 40

students each to be enrolled in the SPC project.

Project SPC is based on youth development initiatives that trains highly disciplined students to evolve as future leader of a democratic society by including within them respect for the law, discipline, civic sense, empathy for the vulnerable section of the society and resistance to social evil. Equally, it strengthens within them commitment towards their family, the community and the environment. The project also looks into negative tendencies such as social intolerance, deviant behavior, anti-establishment and violence.

The Student Police Cadet (SPC) is a project based initiative by Kerala Police. The Steering Committee for SPC along with the Principal and the Headmaster of the targeted schools along with the nodal officer, SDPO Tuensang disseminated the project plan and its course implementation in the meeting.

DC Mon holds meeting with Observers

Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer, Mon Thavaseelan K, IAS held a meeting with Micro Observers of Mon district in connection with the conduct of Lok Sabha elections on 27th March 2019 at DC's Conference Hall.

Thavaseelan said that Micro Observers are to work directly under control and supervision of the General Observers, and have to reach Polling Stations at least one hour before the commencement of poll or otherwise in the evening of the previous day, he added. He mentioned different aspects of election processes, operating of EVM and the guidelines issued by Elections Commission for Micro Observers, mock poll procedure, presence of polling agents and Observers of Election Commission of India (ECI), entry pass system and access to polling station, proper identification and recording procedures in accordance with ECI etc. He also highlighted on the

format for the feedback report by Micro Observers to be submitted to the constituency observer after the poll.

Government Offices under Dimapur to be smoke free

Ensuring to make public places healthier for one and all, Deputy Commissioner, Dimapur, Kevekha Kevin Zehol said that all government offices under Dimapur district would be made smoke free. Addressing the District Level Coordination Committee-cum-review meeting of National Tobacco Control Programme for the fourth quarter, 2018-2019 in DC's Conference Hall Dimapur on 27th March 2018, Kevin informed that a notice would be issued to all the offices under Dimapur district in this regard, to make the offices smoke free while also keeping a designated place for smoking.

In the meeting, the DC also suggested to the committee members for taking slots from DDK, local cables, radio talks for educating the citizens on the harmful effects of tobacco. Further, he opined that the anti-tobacco campaigns could be shown in the cinema halls during intervals to carry out the message loud and clear. Kevin also advised for continuing and re-enforcing the poster and IEC campaign on a larger scale.

CMO Dimapur, Vikato suggested for more improvement in the implementation area and felt that nursing home doctors, dental association, food safety wing and various religious forums along with officers of NTCP Cell Dimapur needs deliberation for taking forward the campaign of tobacco control.

Six new schools, namely Grace Academy, Eklavya Model Residential School, Riverbelt School, St. Joseph School Niuland, GHSS Medziphema and Gilgal School joined the Tobacco School Club which is a part of NTCP. DC Dimapur gave away the Tobacco Free School certificate to the schools. Psychologist, DTCC, Imkumla Aier presented the activities of NTCP Dimapur for the year 2018-2019.

AR CONDUCTS PAINTING COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Medziphema Battalion of Assam Rifles under the aegis of Inspector General of Assam Rifles (North), organized a painting competition at Government High School, Piphema, Dimapur where 31 students

participated in the competition on 27th March 2019.

The event aimed at encouraging and motivating the students to adapt extra-curricular activities as part of their education.

SIGNATURE CAMPAIGN FOR CLEAN ELECTION AT BHANDARI

Signature Campaign for clean election for the 17th Lok Sabha Election 2019 was held at Bhandari with Grace Ezung, the SVEEP Icon, Wokha district, as special guest on 28th March 2019 at ADC's Conference Hall, Bhandari.

Speaking under the theme 'Let us vote for peace and democracy,' the District Icon called on the people to be responsible citizens and make right and wise decision to vote with the motto 'My vote, my choice,' by saying 'no' to money power. Stating that it is high time the voters realize that representatives of the people are elected to serve the people and are not supposed to be served by the people for their

own interest, she encouraged them to be part of the change for peace and progress for the future and exercise the principle of 'one man one vote' in all honesty.

Kenneth Kikon, Youth Director BTBC, in his short speech also stated that election is the best opportunity for the citizens to exercise one's right to participate in making collective decision for the society and so, no one should sell their vote as it will be like selling away one's birth right.

The programme concluded with signature campaign launch in the presence of Additional Deputy Commissioner, Bhandari, Tiameren Chang.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER DEMONSTRATION AND TRAINING CONDUCTED AT TUENSANG

The Fire & Emergency Services Department of Tuensang led by OC, C. Renbenthung with the initiatives of the Deputy Commissioner, Mohammad Ali Shihab conducted fire extinguisher demonstration training on 28th March 2019 at DC's Office premises, Tuensang. The demonstration included training for the polling personnel and election officials who were

deputed to the strong room for the storage of the EVMs and VVPAT.

The OC, Fire & Emergency Services instructed all the members who attended the programme on how to use CO2 and Power Chemical extinguishers with practical demonstration.

LEGAL AWARENESS CAMPAIGN 2019 AT KIPHIRE

The Nagaland State Legal Services authority in collaboration with the Nagaland Bar Association held

a yearlong legal awareness campaign on 28th March 2019 at Hopongkyu Memorial Hall, Kiphire.

Deputy Commissioner while delivering his speech, appealed to the public to learn something from the campaign so that they are aware of the legal rights. He also requested the association to conduct such camps at the village level.

The main aims and objectives of the campaign include spreading legal awareness to the public. Main topics discussed included role of GBs, DBs and Village Councils, judicial institutions, welfare schemes and legal support systems. Interactive sessions were also held.

LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMME AT PHEK

The Nagaland Bar Association in collaboration with the Nagaland State Legal Services Authority held a legal awareness programme at Phek on 29th March 2019 at Phek Town Council Hall.

The legal awareness programme is a part of the ongoing yearlong golden Jubilee programme of the NBA.

The introductory speech was delivered by Imti Imsong, President, Dimapur Bar Association, followed by speeches by the Deputy Commissioner, Phek, Sachin Jaiswal and Chairman, Phek District

Legal Services Authority, and District & Sessions Judge, Phek Longshithung Ezung.

The subject speakers of the programme included Ashu Theyo (Advocate) who spoke on the 'Role of GBs, DBs & Village Council,' and Imti Longjem (Advocate) on 'Judicial institutions' (Courts/Bench/Bar/Prosecution/Legal Services Authority). A paper presentation on Welfare Schemes and Legal Support System was delivered by Rainbow Ngullie and Khumchuba Chang.

NEW DUDA DIRECTORATE OFFICE BUILDING INAUGURATED

New DUDA Directorate Office building was inaugurated on 1st March 2019 at Kohima, near NPSC Office.

Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio in his inaugural speech, congratulated and expressed his appreciation to the department, contractor, the consultant and all those involved in successfully completing the project. He informed that the building has been completed at a total cost of Rs. 10.96 crore.

Rio highlighted that the Department was created in June 2003 to strengthen and improve the infrastructure development of Eastern Nagaland and to capacitate the people through life skill programmes and livelihood solutions, also with an objective to promote growth of the ENPO districts with special focus on infrastructure, development, healthcare facilities, improvement in education, human resource development and building capacity in institutions.

Rio said that the department is in the process of building up its own cadre of personnel and at present, is manned by a total of 76 personnel, 44 from DUDA cadre and 32 from the Engineering Wing and Treasuries.

The Chief Minister further highlighted that since the inception of the department, a number of programmes have been implemented such as Under Developed Areas Programme (UDAP), Border Area Development Programme (BADP), Empowerment

of Underprivileged Youth of Eastern Nagaland in collaboration with NIELIT, Coaching classes for HSLC Students, (by initiating special tutorial programme for Maths and Science teachers), Development of Anghya Brand & Anghya Marketing Network, a retail network initiative of the department for providing livelihood solution to farmers, entrepreneurs and unemployed youth of Eastern Nagaland, Minimum Support Price for Minor Forest Produce (MSP for MFP) under Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India Limited (TRIFED), Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Gol.

Advisor, DUDA, N. Bongkhao Konyak said that under the leadership of Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio, DUDA was created in 2003 to strengthen the infrastructure development and to improve the quality of life in Eastern Nagaland. DUDA will be able to achieve new milestones only with the support of the ENLU and the people of ENPO area who are the stakeholders. He urged the leaders to continue their support for DUDA by providing innovative ideas and guidance so that the backward areas of the state grow at par with the rest of the districts in the state.

The programme was chaired by Principal Secretary, DUDA, L. Kire, who also delivered the welcome address. Dedicatory prayer was delivered by Pastor, KBBK, Moba Konyak. Earlier, the inaugural plaque was unveiled by the honoured guest.

HOW TO TACKLE VIRAL FEVER THIS MONSOON SEASON

(A DIPR Feature by Moamenla, IA, DIPR)

Viral fever refers to a plethora of viral infections, generally characterized by a spike in normal body temperature. It is extremely common in children and elderly people because of their weaker immunity. People suffering from viral fever experience skin rashes, body aches and headaches. Medication is available to cure viral fever. In some cases, home remedies help in dealing with the condition.

Causes of viral fever:

Being aware of what causes the illness, will make it easier to prevent catching the viral fever. As the name suggests, viral fever gets communicated from one person to another by direct contact with the infected person and bodily fluids. Understanding it is much simpler than you think. When an infected person coughs, yawns, sneezes or even talks, they happen to spray small particles of fluids that contain the bacteria and viruses. If you are standing close to that person, these bacteria enter your body via the nose or mouth and you may get infected. Once infected, it would take about 16 to 48 hours for it to turn into a full-blown infection.

Symptoms of viral fever:

Since the symptoms of viral fever are similar to many common and serious conditions, it is absolutely necessary to differentiate between viral fever and other ailments. The red flags that you need to look out for are – high fever that is either or the following:

- a. Fever that occurs at regular intervals
- b. Fever coming along with chills
- c. Fever that does not get cured with medicines
- d. Fever that has been going on for a long time

Some other symptoms of viral fever are severe pain near the joints, rash, swelling of the face and vomiting. If you are going through any of these symptoms, make sure that you go to your doctor immediately.

Diagnosis:

Your doctor would look at your symptoms and come to a conclusion about your illness. However, in

some cases, the doctor would prescribe blood tests to rule out other conditions like typhoid, dengue, malaria, chikungunya, etc. A blood test may also be prescribed in situations where your doctor needs to distinguish between the causative organisms. In simple terms, your doctor wants to know whether the fever is caused by bacteria or virus.

Treatment for viral fever:

If you are down with viral fever, it is suggested that you take ample rest and have warm and soothing food like soup and khichdi till you feel fine. If you have a severe case of high fever and body ache, you should visit your doctor pronto. One should not indulge in self-medication by relying on antipyretics, antibiotics and analgesics. More importantly, you need to remember that in the case of viral fever, antibiotics are completely useless. Antibiotics are used to tackle bacteria and not viruses; so by taking them, you are unnecessarily inviting acidity and stomach disturbances.

Once the doctor prescribes medicines, make sure that you take the entire course even after you start feeling better. Discontinuing antibiotics in the middle of the course causes the antibodies to become resistant to the bacteria. This puts you and everyone around you at risk of getting infected.

Prevention of viral fever:

Some simple methods to keep diseases at bay include:

- a. Washing hands frequently with an effective germ killer like Liquid Handwash
- b. Stay away from crowded places and carry Multi-Use Wipes all the time.
- c. Abstain from touching your face, mouth and nose without washing your hands.
- d. Infected person should cover their mouths with a handkerchief before coughing, yawning and sneezing.

THEME FOR WORLD WATER DAY 2019 – 'LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND'

(A DIPR Feature by **Tovikali Zhimomi, IA, DIPR**)

The theme for World Water Day 2019, 'Leaving no one behind,' is the central promise of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Today, billions of people are still living without safe water, which means 'safely managed drinking water service-water that is accessible in the premises, available when needed, and free from contamination.'

In 2010, the UN recognised 'the right to safe and clean drinking water and sanitation as a human right that is essential for the full enjoyment of life and all human rights.' The human right to water entitles everyone, without discrimination, to sufficient, safe, acceptable, physically accessible and affordable water for personal sanitation, washing of clothes, food preparation, and personal and household hygiene.

People are left behind without safe water for many different reasons. The following are some of the 'grounds for discrimination' that causes certain people to be particularly disadvantaged when it comes to accessing water.

- a. Sex and gender
- b. Race, ethnicity, religion, birth, caste, language, and nationality
- c. Disability, age and health status
- d. Property, tenure, residence, economic and social status
- e. Other factors, such as environmental degradation, climate change population growth, conflict, forced displacement and migration flows can also disproportionately affect marginalized groups through impacts on water.

To 'leave no one behind,' it focuses on efforts towards including people who have been marginalized or

ignored. Water services must meet the needs of marginalized groups and their voices must be heard in decision-making processes. Regulatory and legal frameworks must recognise the right to water for all people, and sufficient funding must be fairly and effectively targeted at those who need it most.

Facts and Figures:

- a. 2.1 billion people live without safe water at home.
- b. One in four primary schools have no drinking water service, with pupils using unprotected sources or going thirsty.
- c. More than 700 children under five years of age die every day from diarrhoea linked to unsafe and unprotected water and poor sanitation.
- d. Globally, 80% of the people who use unsafe and unprotected water sources live in rural areas.
- e. Women and girls are responsible for water collection in eight out of 10 households with water off-premises.
- f. For the 68.5 million people who have been forced to flee their homes, accessing safe water services is highly problematic.
- g. Around 159 million people collect their drinking water from surface water such as ponds and streams.
- h. Around 4 billion people, nearly two-third of the world's population experience severe water scarcity during at least one month of the year.
- i. Over 800 women die every day from complications in pregnancy and childbirth.
- j. 700 million people worldwide could be displaced by intense water scarcity by 2030.

The theme for World Water Day 2019 'Leaving no one behind' is about tackling the water crisis by addressing the reasons why so many people are being left behind.

LANDSLIDES: TIPS AND SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

(A DIPR Feature)

Causes of landslide:

The primary cause of landslide is denudation of vegetation on hill slopes resulting in loose/unstable soil that cannot withstand the pressure of rainfall, snow or traffic. Clearance of vegetation for construction purposes or agriculture (jhum) has an adverse impact on the stability of soil. Tremor from earthquakes or explosion could also trigger landslide, apart from erosion as a result of floods and quarrying.

Safety measures before landslide:

- a. Investigate susceptible areas to identify factors of instability and carry out corrective measures to prevent/minimize instability
- b. Carry out re-forestation in barren areas as the roots of plants/trees will arrest slippage of soil. Plant trees on vulnerable areas
- c. Always be watchful on hill roads and try to note features like cracks on road surface and slopes
- d. Do not build house near steep slopes, close to mountain edges, near drains or natural water outlets
- e. Construct embankment on high gradient slopes.

Safety measures during landslide:

- a. Be alert during heavy rainfall and continuous damp weather

- b. Stay out of the path of a landslide or debris flow
- c. Listen for any unusual sound that might indicate moving debris, trees cracking or rolling boulders (large stones)
- d. Be alert when there is a sudden increase in volume of water in streams and a marked transformation from clear to muddy water.

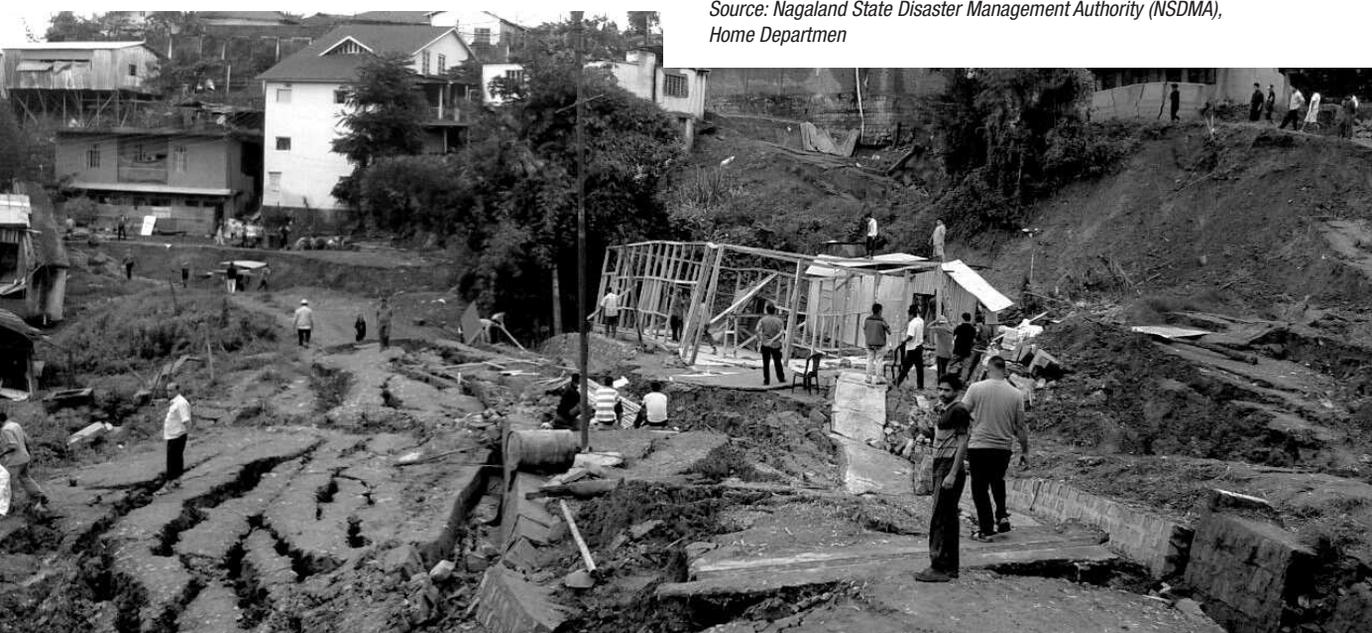
What to do if you suspect imminent landslide:

- a. Alert the District Disaster Management Authority/ District Administration
- b. Informing people around you about the potential threat may help save many lives
- c. Evacuation or getting out of the path of landslide or debris flow is the best protection
- d. Make yourself less vulnerable and protect your head if escaping is not possible.

Safety measures after landslide:

- a. Avoid the landslide area. There may be danger of subsequent slides
- b. Look out for flooding which may follow a landslide on debris flow
- c. Help persons who may require special assistance - infants, elderly persons and the disabled.

Source: Nagaland State Disaster Management Authority (NSDMA), Home Departmen





Department of Home Guards & Civil Defence conducted a one day awareness programme-cum-training on disaster management at CMHS School, Wokha on 16th March 2019.



Fire & Emergency Services Department demonstrating the usage of fire extinguishers at DC's Office premises, Tuensang on 28th March 2019.



Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio and other dignitaries after the inauguration of the new DUDA Directorate Office building at Kohima, near NPSC Office on 1st March 2019.



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